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Minister Begin greets UN Gen. Silasvuo at their meeting in Jerusalem yesterday. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

Dialogue may be held in UN Sinai buffer zone

By DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Correspondent
The proposed dialogue between Israel and Egypt may well take place in the Sinai UN buffer zone, within the existing framework of the "joint commission" set up under the 1975 Interim Agreement. This was the assessment of informed Israeli sources last night.

Earlier yesterday, Premier Menachem Begin met with Gen. Ensi Silasvuo, the UN commander in the Middle East, and reported to him (and through him to UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim) on the visit to Israel of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat. Gen. Silasvuo is to fly to Cairo at the weekend for talks with Defence Minister Gamay and other top officials.

Begin's meeting with Silasvuo followed a three-hour special Cabinet session at which the Premier and other key ministers reported at length on their talks with Sadat and his aides in Jerusalem. After the session, the Premier told newsmen that no detailed arrangements had yet been made with Egypt on the "modalities" of the dialogue.

Cabinet sources said later that such arrangements would probably be worked out after Sadat's report tomorrow to his parliament on his mission.

Sadat had indicated during his visit here, these sources said, that he would want to assess reaction to his visit back home before proceeding to concrete arrangements for the talks with Israel. Israel, for its part, wanted to give Sadat the opportunity to make the initial suggestion on the when and how of procedure for the talks.

While the option of holding the talks in the desert buffer zone was not directly discussed by Begin and Silasvuo yesterday, both men were as well as the Egyptian leadership — as fully aware, according to Israeli and UN sources, of the existence of this option and of its attraction.

"It certainly makes sense," said one Israeli official last night. "It offers the advantages of meeting on neutral ground — yet close to home, enabling the quick and easy transmission of reports and instructions. Moreover, it affords the possibility of discreet encounters far from the cameras and microphones of the news media."

"It would certainly be cumbersome to hold the meetings overseas," the official conceded. "And since the talks are billed as preparatory for the Geneva conference — it would seem strange to be holding them at some other town in Europe."

Another well-placed Israeli source ventured that the choice of the Sinai venue was "likely."

UN sources said they would of course be happy to put the existing machinery, and their technical facilities — including sophisticated communications equipment linking Cairo and Jerusalem — at the service of the two sides. But obviously it was not for the UN to initiate ideas, but rather to fall in with the parties' wishes.

The joint commission set up under Sinai II has fallen into virtual disuse over the past year. In all, the body convened seven times during 1975 and 1976. It held its last meeting in December last year.

While its immediate purpose was to deal with situations arising out of the Sinai II agreement on the ground, and it therefore concerned itself largely with military matters, Israel always sought to invest the joint commission with a political character beyond the minutiae of the agreement, and therefore always sent a joint military-civilian delegation to its meetings (while Egypt sent only officers).



German Ambassador Klaus Schütz emerging from his meeting with Prime Minister Begin yesterday. He is escorted by Chief of Protocol Behaviam Amir. (Ben-Ami, Sunphoto)

Begin, German envoy hold 'first' talk

POST Diplomatic Correspondent
Prime Minister Begin met yesterday with the German Ambassador Klaus Schütz — the first time the Premier has conferred with a German envoy. The two discussed the Sadat visit here, and also the Europeans' general attitude to the Middle East conflict, especially the Palestinian aspect of it.

Schütz is to fly to Bonn today to prepare for Foreign Minister Genscher's visit there next week (if his German opposite number number Genscher's health permits). Begin asked him to communicate Israel's positions directly to Chancellor Helmut Schmidt.

The meeting, at the Premier's bureau yesterday afternoon, was not advertised in advance. Photographers waiting outside noticed the envoy entering, but their request to photograph the start of the meeting was turned down.

Until becoming premier, Begin had shunned almost all official contact with the German embassy. After taking office, however, Begin let it be known that he would not now maintain his "boycott" of Germany and that he would welcome high-ranking German visitors with all due respect.

And yesterday's meeting indeed, according to sources on both sides, was conducted in an entirely cordial atmosphere. "Without any hint of tension" in the words of the First Commissioner at the Embassy, Mrs. Steiner, who accompanied Ambassador Schütz. Mr. Begin was flanked by aide Yehuda Avner and by the Foreign Ministry's Assistant Director-General Moshe Alon, and Head of Protocol Behaviam Amir.

The Premier, it is learned, employed a large-scale map to impress upon his guests the meaning of the situation.

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Dayan's Bonn trip uncertain due to Genscher's illness

By SARAH BONG
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
BONN. — Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan's official visit to Germany next week may have to be rescheduled because of the illness of his West German counterpart, Hans-Dietrich Genscher.

It was announced here yesterday that Genscher was hospitalized on Wednesday night for a possible case of pneumonia.

(In Jerusalem, the Foreign Ministry said last night that it was awaiting word from Bonn and that it did not know if Dayan's three-day visit would begin on Sunday as scheduled.)

Sources in the German Foreign Ministry said yesterday that should the visit take place, they would be particularly interested in first-hand information on Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's visit and would stress their view that Israeli concessions are called for now.

Talks to parliament tomorrow Sadat will disclose 'moves' with Israel

By ANAN SAFADI
Post Middle East Editor
Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will announce tomorrow the moves that his government will adopt to promote communication with Israel for establishing a comprehensive Middle East settlement, Cairo radio indicated last night.

The radio said that Sadat would proclaim the "future measures of action" Cairo will follow in the light of the president's history-making trip to Jerusalem. The radio said Sadat will make his statement to parliament — which he stunned a fortnight ago by announcing his intention to go to Jerusalem.

Cairo radio did not divulge any information on the moves. But there were indications that Sadat might define the framework of his contacts with Jerusalem aimed at settling the Arab-Israeli conflicts over such substantive issues as peace relations, territories and the political future of the Palestinian Arabs in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

The Egyptian ruling party of Prime Minister Mameouh Salam said yesterday that it has decided to invite Arab notables from the administered territories to discuss the Egyptian leader's peace initiative.

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Cairo has also expelled the Iraqi secretary-general of the Arab League's economic unity council. A government source said Dr. Abdel al-Sagban was asked to leave the country "because of his behaviour, which is against Egypt's security, safety and honour."

Meanwhile, Egypt reiterated yesterday that it has not changed its basic position regarding an overall settlement but merely revolutionized its approach by opening a direct dialogue with Israel.

The mass circulation "al-Akhar" newspaper said Sadat was aware that his visit would shock some Arab countries and some Palestinians, but "he was also fully confident that in the near future they would realize that the visit has achieved what all wars and the propaganda warfare have failed to achieve." This, it said, would be a just and permanent peace based on the restoration of Arab and Palestinian legitimate rights.

"The rejectionists will soon find themselves in the Geneva (Middle East peace) conference" and they will "perhaps" apologize for their criticism of Sadat, the paper added.

Income tax chief: 'Too much talk about honesty for evaders'

By SHLOMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Income Tax Commissioner Eliezer Shiloni yesterday deplored the congressional statements recently made by Treasury officials about a possible amnesty for income-tax evaders. Speaking at the convention of the Accountants Association, Shiloni said that the public was misled by now as to the government's intentions, and that tax evaders were withholding their tax payments in anticipation of an amnesty.

Shiloni said that his staff would next year continue to collect taxes in the same ways and within the same framework as at present. He implied that without additional resources, mainly in manpower, it would be impossible to improve the collection of income tax.

The commissioner said he is determined to recruit more staff, including non-professionals and women on a part-time basis. Courses would be made available for interested candidates, and the hours would be flexible.

Shiloni also wants to raise tax officials' salaries, and to recruit some highly-paid personnel on special contract for a fixed number of years. He will also try to recruit special contract personnel from other government offices. The tax administration will introduce a system of norms and premiums as an incentive to the staff, Shiloni said.

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The Anglo-American plan while Smith said "has failed," called for a surrender of power by Smith to a British administrator followed by a ceasefire. In the five-year-old Rhodesia war and one-man-one-vote elections.

Smith had objected to the plan's (Continued on page 2, col. 5)

Syria, Jordan clash over Sadat visit

BEIRUT. — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's peace mission to Israel threatens to strain relations between Syria and Jordan, an independent Beirut daily newspaper reported yesterday.

The pro-Libyan "al-Safir" quoted informed sources as saying that Syria and Jordan had quarrelled over Sadat's visit when Jordanian Premier Mudar Badran conferred on Tuesday in Damascus with Syrian President Hafiz Assad.

Reaction to Sadat's initiative continued in the Arab world yesterday with Egypt stopping all flights to Libya and Algeria following Libya's severance of relations with Cairo. Libya has closed its ports and airports to Egyptian traffic, as well as renewing its call for Egypt's expulsion from the Arab League.

However, it was reported that Sadat had been praised for going to Israel by Saudi Arabia, which uses some of its oil wealth to give financial aid to Egypt. The semi-official Egyptian newspaper "al-Ahram" quoted King Khalid's message, which arrived in Cairo while Sadat was in Jerusalem, as "appreciation of the role played by President Sadat for the sake of the Arab cause and Egypt's efforts and sacrifices towards that end."

According to "al-Safir" on the strained relationship between Jordan and Syria, Damascus demands a clear-cut stand from Amman on the Sadat visit by today or "Syria will be forced to reconsider the entire Jordanian-Syrian relationship."

Jordan's information minister has already gone on record as viewing the mission as a possible breakthrough on the road to peace, but King Hussein has yet to take a public stand.

The newspaper quoted sources in Amman as saying that Hussein is under strong pressure from the U.S. to support Sadat's initiative.

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

An Oneg Shabbat in English will be held at 8.30 tonight at Eshkol Shalom in Jerusalem. Speakers will be Rabbi Dr. Elhanan Blumenthal and Isaac Ben-Yaacov, Political Advisor to the Jerusalem Municipality. Cantor Arye Goldberg will lead the singing of Zimrat. A Melave Malka will be held tomorrow at the same place at 8.30 p.m. with Moshe Aumann of the Foreign Ministry as guest speaker. Cantor Yehuda Lender will give a recital. The public is invited to both occasions. (Communicated)

An Oneg Shabbat will be held tonight at 9.00, at Shalom Shalom, 88 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv. Tourists are invited to meet Arish Chapman, Tour V'aleh World Zionist Organization Aliya Department. (Communicated)

Ze'ev Hefetz, director of the Government Press Office, will speak (in English) on the complex preparations for the Sadat visit, on Sunday at 8 p.m. at the Van Leer Foundation, 40 Rehov Yehonatan, Jerusalem. The talk is sponsored by the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel.

The "Revival of Ancient Drama in Greece and Other Centres" will be the subject of a lecture by Takis Mousiades, former director of the Greek national theatre, at the Molly Kaufman Hall of the Tel Aviv Museum on Monday at 4.30 p.m.

A discussion of "The Contribution of American Socialism to Zionism in Israel" to be opened by Dr. Daniel Elazar under the sponsorship of the Bogrel Hehalutz America and the Pioneering Youth Movement will be held on Tuesday at 4 p.m. at the Herzl Hall of the Koor building, 8 Sderot Shaul Hamelech, Tel Aviv.

Ephraim Glisin, at 70

PETAH TIKVA. — The funeral of Ephraim Glisin, a leader of the Israeli citrus industry and the Israel Farmers Federation was held here yesterday. Glisin was a son of one of Petah Tikva's founding families, and president of its regional agricultural council for many years. He was 70 at his death and is survived by his wife Shoshana and their two sons.

Gertrud Kraus funeral

TEL AVIV (Him). — The funeral of Gertrud Kraus, the noted dancer and choreographer who died here on Wednesday, will leave from the Mann Auditorium here today at 11 a.m. for the cemetery at Kiryat Shaul. The public can pay its last respects from 10 a.m. at the Mann Auditorium.

T.A. Macabbi defeats Nice 103-97

The Tel Aviv Macabbi basketball team last night defeated Nice of France 103-97 in a friendly game held at the Yad Eliyahu Sports Palace in Tel Aviv.

The Directorate, Teachers and Students of the Rubin Academy of Music, Jerusalem, mourn the death of

Prof. GERTRUD KRAUS

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America-Israel Cultural Foundation Sharetz Scholarship Program

New and bigger budget to Cabinet on Sunday

Jerusalem Post Reporter

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Addressing himself to Lopez Portillo at the luncheon, Katzir said, "I will not conceal my envy at the atmosphere of peace and brotherhood which characterizes you (the Mexicans). We are anxious for the day when we too will live in the same way with our neighbours."

Lopez Portillo also commented on the Sadat visit which he called "full of courage and daring, the only way to get out of the age-old trap of hostility among the peoples of the Middle East."

Prior to the luncheon, the two presidents conferred for almost two hours at Lopez Portillo's office in the National Palace.

It is understood they discussed Mexico's petroleum sales to Israel — recently increased from 20,000 to 30,000 barrels a day — and the long-pending Israeli plan for development of an aircraft industry here.

Too much talk

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The income tax administration had in the past been charged with tasks it could not cope with, given the existing resources, Shiloni declared. He cited as examples the system of checking a sampling of tax returns in depth, or the requiring of property declarations by all taxpayers.

These tasks had been imposed while \$20 tax officials left the service, attracted by higher pay in the private sector.

Shiloni also criticized the lack of cooperation and coordination between the value-added tax administration and the income tax authorities. The duplication, he said, wastes resources, because if a VAT inspector enters a business to inspect it, only to have an income tax inspector come shortly afterwards to do the same.

The Income Tax Commissioner also criticized the Ronel amendment to the Income Tax Law, which permits foreign investors to realize their equity in accordance with changes in the exchange rate. The amendment, he said, is complex and imposes an excessive burden on the tax administration.

The whole tax system, Shiloni said, should be simplified and not made more complex, as the Ronel amendment did. He concluded by saying that the income tax administration will continue its efforts to collect the outstanding tax debt of IL5 billion.

Syria, Jordan

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Sadat's visit as a blow to Arab unity. Sadat's move back to a concerted anti-Sadat drive to split that unity still further. The newspaper expected Saudi officials to contact Arab capitals in a bid to mediate the crisis.

Diplomats in Cairo regard Khaddaf's message of praise to Sadat as being of prime importance. Only one day before Sadat landed at Ben-Gurion Airport, the Saudi royal palace expressed surprise at the trip. A Saudi statement declared that any peace move "must emanate from a unified Arab stand."

The cancellation of all flights by Egypt's national airline Egyptair to Libya came only a month after they had been resumed following a three-month break caused by last July's four-day war between the two countries.

Breaking off its relations with Egypt, Libya stressed that the move would not affect the "excellent treatment" of the estimated 250,000 Egyptian nationals living in Libya.

The Libyans said that the Arabs' commercial boycott of Israel would now apply as well to Egypt. "What comes from Egypt may be coming from or going to the enemy," a foreign ministry statement said. (AP, UPI, Reuters)

GROCEER Yosef Caspi, of Tel Aviv's Hatikva Quarter, was fined IL1,500 yesterday for having charged 65 agorot for eggs whose price is fixed at 64 agorot. He claimed the one agorot overcharge was a mistake.

THE TOP PRIZE OF IL750,000 in the Mital Hapayis lottery went yesterday to ticket number 117183. All tickets whose numbers end with 2 won IL10. For details of other prizes see Mital Hapayis booths.

Lahat hires image-maker for '78 race

Post Political Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — Mayor Shlomo Lahat, gearing up for the country's first direct-election mayoralty poll, has hired one of the country's top public relations experts, Arye Gelblum, to refurbish his image among this city's voters.

Lahat circles speak of a seven-figure budget being put together for Lahat's re-election campaign. (The final date for the local authority elections has not been set; it is a toss-up between May or November of 1978.) The mayor's immediate problem lies with local Likud politicians, especially Deputy Mayor Yigal Griffl, with whom he is said to be on the worst of possible terms.

The Alignment has adopted former German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer as its mayoral candidate, but faces a major problem financing this touchy uphill effort. Former Finance Minister and Tel Aviv mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz will reportedly devote part of his time as Labour's main fund-raiser to mobilizing contributions for Ben-Natan's campaign.

Ehrlich: Cabinet to discuss amnesty for tax evaders

Jerusalem Post Staff

Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich yesterday said in a radio interview that his plan for amnesty for tax evaders, opposed by Attorney General Aharon Barak, will be discussed at a cabinet meeting which will decide if it should be brought up before the Knesset.

Ehrlich also said, at a graduation ceremony of the School for International Studies at Haifa University, that the government will seek to abolish summer hours in the civil service and to gradually reduce civil service costs.

"I prefer fewer employees who work hard to a high rate of so-called concealed unemployment which in fact is quite unproductive," he said. "The principle of first in, last out, is inadmissible in a modern economy. We shall have to eliminate these distortions slowly. Wages must be linked to productivity, otherwise we're to the economy," he added.

Ehrlich also declared that he wants to abolish the system of wage scale linkage. "But it cannot be done overnight," he said. "We are dealing with strong groups of labour. But we shall not tolerate strikes, as for instance the one that hit Haifa port before the election, at the height of the citrus season. If such strikes occur in the public sector we shall act against them."

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proposed dismantling of the white-ruled security forces and the creation of a new national army based on the Communist-backed guerrillas.

His last vote, a principle in Rhodesia's last general election, last September, only one-tenth of the 90,000 registered voters were black. Political control of Rhodesia has been in the hands of the white minority, now numbering 288,000, since the country declared itself a self-governing British colony in 1922.

Explaining Smith's dramatic about-face, yesterday's statement said: "The Prime Minister pointed out (to locally-based black leaders) that his government's interest in a qualified franchise was as a means of ensuring the maintenance not only of standards but also of the confidence of white Rhodesians."

"Constitutional and other evidence now available indicated that there were no serious problems in the way of maintaining standards and retaining this confidence than by means of a qualified franchise."

"The black political leaders fully endorsed the desirability of retaining white confidence and accepted the government's right to follow this course at the conference table."

The statement concluded: "In view of this understanding the government is prepared to enter the negotiations on the understanding that if their requirements in this regard are met, they will accept the principle of majority rule based on adult suffrage."

Iraq bars Egyptian who visited Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Iraq has barred the editor of Cairo's Middle East News Agency, Mohammed Abdul-Gawad, from entering its territory because he visited Israel with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat this week.

Abdul-Gawad was due to arrive in Baghdad this weekend to take part in the sixth conference of the Union of Arab News Agencies scheduled to begin on Sunday. Abdul-Gawad is president of the Union.

The Iraqi News Agency, which hosts the conference, reported last night that it refused to receive Abdul-Gawad because of his participation in Sadat's trip to Israel.

THE TOP PRIZE OF IL750,000 in the Mital Hapayis lottery went yesterday to ticket number 117183. All tickets whose numbers end with 2 won IL10. For details of other prizes see Mital Hapayis booths.

Lahat hires image-maker for '78 race

Post Political Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — Mayor Shlomo Lahat, gearing up for the country's first direct-election mayoralty poll, has hired one of the country's top public relations experts, Arye Gelblum, to refurbish his image among this city's voters.

Lahat circles speak of a seven-figure budget being put together for Lahat's re-election campaign. (The final date for the local authority elections has not been set; it is a toss-up between May or November of 1978.) The mayor's immediate problem lies with local Likud politicians, especially Deputy Mayor Yigal Griffl, with whom he is said to be on the worst of possible terms.

The Alignment has adopted former German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer as its mayoral candidate, but faces a major problem financing this touchy uphill effort. Former Finance Minister and Tel Aviv mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz will reportedly devote part of his time as Labour's main fund-raiser to mobilizing contributions for Ben-Natan's campaign.

Lahat's image suffered a blow yesterday with the publication of unexpected and sharp criticism from Manufacturers Association president Avraham ("Buma") Shavit. Shavit told the local Labour Council's new monthly magazine "Our Tel Aviv": "We came to see the mayor about the problems bothering us in Tel Aviv. We have to pay rent like a bank, or hotel. His reply was 'I am not interested in having industry in Tel Aviv.'"

TV survey shows: Most MKs favour territorial concessions in West Bank

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Most Knesset members appear to be ready to forgo Israel's sovereignty in Sharm el-Sheikh and are ready for territorial concessions in the West Bank for peace, a television survey showed yesterday.

But it is not clear what the vote would be should the parties impose coalition discipline. The majority in the Likud opposes territorial concessions in Judea and Samaria, and members are equally divided over the future of Sharm el-Sheikh.

The survey was conducted as the Likud parties began to debate the policy Israel should adopt following the visit of Egypt's President Anwar Sadat.

The poll showed that most Likud MKs favour concessions in Sinai for a full peace and about half are ready to settle for an agreement whereby Israel will lease Sharm el-Sheikh from Egypt on a long term basis.

A small majority among the Likud members is ready for minor territorial concessions on the Golan Heights for peace. 21 Herut MKs staunchly oppose any territorial concession in Judea and Samaria. But eight of the 15 Liberal members tend to agree to some territorial concessions there. MK Hillel Seidel of the Abud faction also agrees to cede part of the West Bank for peace.

The Herut members, and the hawks in the Liberal Party and Le'umi form a majority in the Likud bloc against any concessions in the West Bank but should the Liberal doves break party discipline and vote with the Democratic Movement for Change and other doves in the opposition, there may be a Knesset majority for territorial concessions in the West Bank.

Several Likud members have discussed with reporters the possibility of a "functional" arrangement in the West Bank. Some envisage local autonomy or Jordanian responsibility for some aspects of life there but would insist on an Israeli military presence there.

The debate over what concessions Israel should make for peace has caused some strains in the coalition. Liberal whip Avraham Shafir has accused the DMC of demonstrating a lack of national responsibility in issuing a statement calling for territorial compromises on all fronts.

But the chairman of the DMC's Knesset faction, Dr. Benyamin Halevi, reminded Shafir that the DMC had joined the coalition reser-

Dialogue may be in Sinai

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The 1976 agreement itself speaks simply of "a process of negotiations" and "that the Israeli and Egyptian sides will agree to a specific type or rank of delegate. If it is eventually decided to use the commission for the substantive negotiations now at hand, the two sides would settle on the level of representation desired, and the UN would presumably withdraw its own delegates to facilitate direct, face-to-face unaccompanied negotiations."

One Israeli source suggested that the talks might be held at the American embassy in Washington, the buffer zone — and thus under American auspices — rather than at a UN facility.

At the Cabinet session, Begin and Dayan stressed their impression that Sadat — and indeed the entire Egyptian establishment — were well pleased with the outcome of the visit here. As evidence they cited the lengthy article in "al-Akhbar" read out over Cairo Radio on Wednesday night, praising Israel's desire for peace and recounting the warm welcome that Sadat and his delegation had received in Jerusalem.

Also of major significance, Begin and Dayan felt, was the recent news that Saudi King Khalid had congratulated Sadat on his return from Jerusalem, thus aligning his powerful country, after some initial uncertainty, firmly at the head of the pro-Egypt camp in the current Arab-Israeli discord over the Sadat visit.

After reviews by Begin, Dayan and four other members of the Cabinet, the ministers accepted that the agreement of both sides to pursue confidence-building towards peace negotiations was in itself testimony of the success of the visit.

Dayan told the ministers that newspaper stories about Sadat being "disappointed" by Begin's Knesset speech because it was "too hard-line," and that he "expected Begin to make a matching conciliatory gesture or a concession" were devoid of basis. One minister told The Jerusalem Post later that "these stories are all made-up."

Begin and Dayan explained to the ministers that Sadat did not consider it necessary to get the approval of Arab heads of state for his future moves in the dialogue with Israel. On the contrary, they said, Sadat's aides had shown indignation when their Israeli interlocutors aired this assumption. They felt the assumption was slighting. The president's aides had said that however much

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Halevi, in a letter to his counterpart, quoted excerpts DMC platform expressing rea for territorial compromises context of peace treaties satisfying security needs. He cited the clause indicating rea for territorial concessions in West Bank (though not for dependent Palestinian state.)

Meanwhile, David Glas (National Religious Party) to Jerusalem Post last night Likud minister had told him many members of the coalition ties and the Cabinet support moderate policy. The D ministers "told us to trust the influence the other ministers continued. 'I believe he mean a group of coalition members sit on the government's tail time (to assure that) a fi policy is adopted.'"

Accordingly, Glas and Av Malamed (NRP) will try to together several Knesset me including Zerah Warhaftig (Amnon Rubinstein (DMC) Wertheimer (DMC), Moré Wirsheby (DMC) and Yosef (Likud), and others to fo pressure group within the co Leaders of the Liberal Party Likud yesterday held their debate on peace concessions ing Sadat's visit.

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S/A Shlomo Lev dies in fall

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Sgan-Aluf Shlomo Lev, who fell to his death from a cliff at the Beit Govrin caves on Wednesday, was buried with full military honours yesterday in the military section of Tel Aviv's Kiryat Shaul cemetery. Lev, 44, who for many years headed the army's retraining programme, was an inmate of the military hospital at the time of his death. He had been at the caves as part of a course for tourist guides which he was taking. The eulogy at yesterday's funeral was delivered by Aluf-Mishne Yitzhak Rosen, head of the army's recruitment centre. Sgan-Aluf Lev had for the past three years headed the army's programme for the rehabilitation of underprivileged youth. He had joined the army as head of the camouflage department in 1948, having served with both the British and Canadian armies as an expert in the field. Born in Germany in 1913, Lev came on aliyah in 1938. He was an ardent amateur painter.

Bankers accused of bribing former Bat Yam official

TEL AVIV (Him). — The former treasurer of the Bat Yam municipality was indicted in the District Court here yesterday on charges of taking bribes in the form of cheap loans from bank managers in return for depositing municipal funds in their branches. The former treasurer, Yosef Yaskolka, was indicted together with Jacques Uziel, the manager of a Bank Leumi branch in Bat Yam and Arye Feinstein, the deputy manager of Bank Hamizrachi Hameluhad branch in Holon. Besides bribing Yaskolka, Uziel is also charged with keeping false books. Yaskolka, according to the prosecution, knew Feinstein personally, and in his capacity as municipal treasurer raised the turnover in the Bat Yam city account at the Holon branch from IL400,000 in 1968 to IL200m. In return, Yaskolka allegedly got four unlinked loans totalling IL44,000 at low interest, and another loan of IL11,000 redeemable after 11 years, also at low interest. Uziel is also accused of not charging Yaskolka interest on overdrafts when the treasurer emptied his account to invest on the stock market. Jacques Uziel is accused of allowing Yaskolka to take a IL25,000 no-interest loan from a municipal loan fund managed by his branch even though the ceiling on these loans for Bat Yam city employees was only IL2,000. Former Bat Yam mayor Yitzhak Walker and the general manager of Bank Hamizrachi, Aharon Meir, are due to testify at the trial.

'Rumours on Gur damaging — he'll complete full term'

By HERSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent
Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur will be completing his tour of duty on April 15, 1978, and any speculation to the contrary is both unfounded and damaging, a military source told *The Jerusalem Post* last night. The source was reacting to press reports yesterday that the status of the Chief of Staff is as yet unclear, and that only the road accident last week in which Defence Minister Ezer Weizman was injured prevented Gur from being fired for a breach of discipline. Weizman had called Gur back from a vacation to reprimand him for an interview he had given the afternoon daily "Eretz Aharonot" despite express instructions not to do so. In the interview, the Chief of Staff had warned that the visit by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat should be seen against the fact that Egypt was preparing for war early in 1978. It was learned by *The Post* that the Chief of Staff appeared before the National Security College the day following his reprimand and spoke to the students there about the incident. However, after consulting with Premier Menachem Begin, Weizman came to the conclusion that Gur would be allowed to complete his tour of duty. Begin apparently felt that in light of Gur's overall record the incident did not warrant his leaving the IDF under a cloud. The Prime Minister is supposed to have also said that Israel can ill afford to have two consecutive chiefs of staff resign before the end of their specified terms. (Gur's predecessor, the late Ezer Weizman, resigned on the recommendation of the Agranat report, which looked into the military shortcomings of the Yom Kippur War.)

British Council of Churches joins fight against racism

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
LONDON. — An important new development in the fight against the growing menace of racism in Britain has just taken place with the launching of an anti-racist campaign by the British Council of Churches. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Donald Coggan, was the first to sign a public commitment identifying himself with the council's stand on racism. In what is described as an "unprecedented" condemnation of a political party by church leaders, the council is directing its attack in particular against the National Front. A leaflet published by the council to promote its campaign states: "The Jews were blamed for Germany's problems. Hitler rose to power by giving easy answers and by making the Jews the scapegoats. The result? Millions dead. It used to be the Jews. Now it's the blacks. The N.F. and other groups like them blame the blacks for what is going wrong. People are urged to say 'no' to the National Front."

All the major churches are to be asked to gather support from their members for the anti-racist campaign. As delegates in this week's annual assembly of the Council of Churches gathered out, the next general election campaign could be made more difficult by the stirring up of latent racial prejudice. Commenting on the churches' decision, Martin Savitt, chairman of the Defence Committee of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, told *The Jerusalem Post* that he was "absolutely delighted." He said that he had been urging the churches for some time to come out openly against the National Front and similar racist groups, and he pledged that the Jewish community would work closely with the churches.

Deaf, normal children play together

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter
BAT YAM. — A new integrated kindergarten for both deaf and normal children was opened here yesterday as a joint project of the Ministry of Education and the Micha Society for Deaf Children. The kindergarten, which has eight hearing-impaired children and 23 children with normal hearing, is the seventh of its kind in the greater Tel Aviv area. During a "press" tour yesterday of the new facility, Eshel Cohen, director of Micha Tel Aviv, explained that, being in a kindergarten class with hearing children motivates the hard of hearing to speak instead of just using sign language. "Of course, before they

come to the kindergarten they have had intensive training at our centres and their parents have also been taught to work with them at home," she added. Micha tutors will also give speech lessons at the kindergarten, in special treatment rooms separate from the main room. "But even though these rooms are separate, the hearing children will also visit them and feel just as much at home there as the deaf children do in the regular kindergarten," Cohen said. The kindergarten was named for the late Dr. Charles Korine, founder of the Micha Society. Its decor is the work of Naomi Shifrin, supervisor of kindergartens in Bat Yam.

Soldier suspected of selling stolen arms to villagers

NAZARETH (Him). — Military police have arrested a soldier suspected of stealing at least 12 automatic weapons from army emergency stores in the north and selling them to residents of Kanna village in Galilee. A magistrate here has also ordered the remand of 14 residents of Kanna allegedly caught in possession of the weapons. Police said that the weapons were not intended for subversive purposes, but for "self-defence" in a feud between the Amara and El-Halaf clans in the village. Police said they confiscated 11 Uzis with machineguns and one Kalashnikov assault rifle which had been sold for IL2,500 to IL3,000 each. They are now looking for alleged accomplices who helped the soldier sell the firearms to the villagers.

PRISONERS AT Damon jail are undergoing a series of educational courses which include lessons in Hebrew and arithmetic, Bible classes and a six-month course in the civics, the commander of the jail, Shalom Rosolio, said this week.

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Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich buys a lottery ticket during a visit to Mifal Hapayis offices in Tel Aviv yesterday.

Mifal Hapayis ticket to cost IL15, first prize will be IL1million

TEL AVIV (Him). — The price of a Mifal Hapayis lottery ticket will go up by 50 per cent to IL15, and this first prize will be raised from IL750,000 to IL1m, as of January, according to Yitzhak Goren, chairman of the Mifal Hapayis management. Goren, speaking at a luncheon held yesterday in honour of Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich, also said that Mifal Hapayis profits last year amounted to IL30m, after deduction of 60 per cent of the proceeds in prize winners. The lottery expects its profits during the current fiscal year to reach IL50m. Mifal Hapayis has allotted IL2.2m. in education and health services since its founding.

Shakespeare actors here

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Six of the Royal Shakespeare Company's most famous actors are arriving in Jerusalem today to perform repertory theatre and conduct a workshop for local performers. Sebastian Shaw, Estelle Kohler, David Suchet, Bill Hume, Bernard Lloyd and Tony Church will perform on eight different occasions at the Jerusalem Theatre, the Khan and the Israel Museum. Among the works to be performed are a review of Shakespeare's monarchs, a compilation of love themes in Shakespeare's plays, a

collection of warriors' poems and songs, a selection of Robert Browning's poems and the poems of D.H. Lawrence. During the two-week visit, the longest one by a theatrical group of such stature, the actors will conduct a workshop on acting and stage-directing for up to 30 professionals. Tickets for performances range from IL35 to IL60. The project is being carried out with help from the British Council, the Jerusalem Foundation, and the Council for Culture and Arts of the Education and Culture Ministry.



Sebastian Shaw



David Suchet

Hammer says no to commercial TV

Education Minister Ze'evulun Hammer yesterday announced his opposition in the setting up of a commercial television channel in Israel, saying it would increase consumption and also sharpen tension between haves and have-nots. The minister, who under the law administers the Broadcasting Authorities Act, said in an official statement that he had recently received nearly a dozen proposals from business and public figures about setting up a second, commercial TV service. He had not replied yet to these

detailed proposals, he said, but he did not intend to approve the idea at present. He explained that the daily commercials for products which not everyone could afford to buy would raise expectations that could not be satisfied, and thus increase social tension. Commercial TV would also go against the official government policy of reducing consumption, he added. Hammer said he will discuss the matter when the Ministerial Committee on the Broadcasting Authority, which he heads, meets in the next few weeks.

Grand Prix tennis tomorrow

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
RAMAT HASHARON. — Yair Wertheimer and Shlomo Glickstein meet tomorrow in the men's final of the sixth and last tournament of the 1977 Grand Prix tennis circuit, with the winner gaining the first prize of more than IL5,000 in a neck-and-neck finish to the series. Hagit Tzuhari has already taken the top women's prize of IL2,500 in the year-long event. The match starts at 2 p.m. at the Israel Tennis Centre here, which is running the game's first local prize money competition with the official sanction of the Israel Lawn Tennis Association. The series is being sponsored by the Sheraton-Tel Aviv and Wilson Sporting Goods, with total contributions of IL32,000. Israel champion Wertheimer and no. 2 Glickstein are now tied at the top of the overall table with 21 points each, having both won two tournaments. Tomorrow's loser will

receive IL2,000. Former champion Yehoshua Shalem won the remaining meet and collected his IL1,500 for finishing third. In addition to their prize money, Wertheimer, Glickstein and Shalem are to be awarded houses for their tournament victories. In fourth place was Shai Pual (IL500). The country's top 24 players participated in the men's event. Federation Cup girls Tzuhari and Tami Levin meet in their sixth women's final in the series, also at 2 p.m. However, Tzuhari's four wins to date ensure her first place, whatever the remaining result, and Levin is already assured of the second prize of IL1,000. Because of overseas competition, Israel's champion Paulina Peled did not take part in the series, which had a 15-strong draw. Tomorrow also sees the start here of two days of friendly matches between local veteran (over 45) tennis players and their counterparts from America, 23 of whom are currently visiting Israel on an overseas tour sponsored by the U.S. People-to-People Sports Committee. The tournament begins at 9 a.m. The Tennis Centre's busiest-ever winter weekend starts at 2 p.m. today, when Tel Aviv's Maccabi and Hapoel clubs clash in the 11th annual State Tennis Cup final.

Rugby knockout cup

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Hebrew University XV faces Haagen-Nir Bilyahu tomorrow at Givat Haim (Meuhad) in the final of the Israeli Rugby Football Union's knockout cup. Kick-off is at 2 p.m. In the plate event for teams beaten in the first round, Kiryat Shmona host Yirael, also at 2 p.m. In last week's semi-finals, the Jerusalemites defeated Tel Aviv University 17-0, while Haagen edged out Haifa Technion 6-3. The Union's nine-club national league competition is scheduled to start next Saturday and continue until March.

Media overweight

Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — A new record for baggage overweight on El Al was recorded yesterday when two reporters from NBC Television paid \$2,750 in excess baggage fees. The two men were returning to the U.S. with 80 pieces of luggage, mainly equipment, which they had brought to Israel to cover the visit of President Anwar Sadat.



Neudorfer: tax system will be simplified

By SHELMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Some 30 amendments to the income tax law, aimed at simplifying the tax system, are being planned next year, State Revenue Commissioner Moshe Neudorfer yesterday told the annual convention of the Accountants Association in Jerusalem, beginning next April. Neudorfer said the amendments will have to pay taxes as if they were operating within the boundaries of the Green Line, he said. Unlawful they have been subject to Jordan or Egyptian taxes. Another change planned is the abolition of the property tax and the tax gains tax into the income tax. The property tax example, on owner-occupied flats, up to a certain value, will be retained, the rest to be adjusted in accordance with the rate of inflation. Neudorfer said that there will be reforms in the tax system, with aim of gradually consolidating indirect taxes — such as excise, stamp, purchase tax, and so on — into two taxes only: income and value added tax. A new luxury tax will be introduced, however. The original luxury tax, abolished a few years ago, was the precursor of the present luxury tax. Since it was gradually added on a wide range of products, necessarily luxuries, for purely technical reasons, the original name changed to purchase tax.

The new tax will be levied, instead of the present purchase tax on cars, liquor, cigarettes and other products that will be classified as luxuries. The amounts exempted from inheritance tax and from land betterment tax will be raised in accordance with the rate of inflation. The defence stamp, which now brings in some IL700 million a year, and which is collected on such popular consumption items as public transportation, electricity and telephone services, will be abolished and incorporated in the new tax system. The purchase tax, which now brings in IL3 billion a year — and of which some IL2.5b. was eliminated when the value added tax was raised to 12 per cent on October 23 — will be phased out and replaced by a higher VAT to further simplify the customs rates. Neudorfer also said he did not believe the present tax ceiling of 60 per cent would be raised. (On Wednesday night, Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich told the convention that he had "no objection" to levying as much as an 80 per cent income tax "on very high income or a 90 per cent marginal tax on incomes around IL2 million.") The tax authorities do not intend, to revise the tax brackets, although these have eroded in the last two years since they are linked to only 70 per cent of the consumer price index. But the authorities do plan to make the existing taxes more progressive than they are now.

Witnesses tell of poisoned pills and paste in murder trial

AVIV (Him). — Rika Salomon, on trial for allegedly attempting to poison her husband, used to ask friends for ideas on how to kill him, two prosecution witnesses testified yesterday. Rika Salomon was arrested here with Nathan Baranes six months after her husband died early last year. Neighbours told police that Rika Salomon had been murdered with poison, a charge which Baranes, who is charged with conspiracy to murder, lette Mor, who lives in the same flat as Rika Salomon and Baranes, told the court that Salomon had asked Baranes in presence, "How much do you need to kill my husband?" She had allegedly proposed "putting a little poison in his coffee, or in his water while he was at work in his factory. The bomb explosion was to be attributed to Arab terrorists. Mor

claimed, Baranes turned down this idea, the witness said, but suggested instead that Rika Salomon put some ground-up poison in her husband's food. Baranes gave a ground-up pill to Arlette Mor and then forced her to put it underneath Rika Salomon's door-mat, the witness said. On another occasion, Arlette Mor testified, she went with Rika Salomon to an Arab woman fortune teller in Jaffa whom the accused told that she wanted to get rid of her husband. The fortune teller, Mor said, gave Rika Salomon two tubes of grey paste which the witness claimed she later saw Mrs. Salomon put into cutlets she prepared for her husband. Ernestina Garceró, a cousin of Rika Salomon's, testified that since the beginning of her marriage, the accused had frequently quarrelled with her husband and expressed a desire to kill him.

Others held in counterfeit press haul

AVIV (Him). — The brothers Shai and Giora Nadler, who were caught last week with a haul of counterfeit notes, were yesterday remanded 15 days by the Magistrate's here. The court told the court that the notes printed in a shack at Jaffa port, the brothers had ostensibly used to store pesticides. The shack was found to contain a press, said, other materials, and amounts of IL100 and IL500 bills, added that only a few dozen of the IL500s, and none of the IL100s, to have been passed in the time overroom was raided. Police said they were not sure many people were involved in the haul, but that Giora Nadler had a statement in which he admitted a connection with some parts. Zohar Nadler, on the other hand, said he knew of the affair, but taking part in it.

Cinemas may close to protest entertainment tax

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The management of the Israel Cinema Owners Association decided yesterday at an emergency meeting to close all movie theatres shortly in protest over the Treasury's refusal to cancel the entertainment tax. The management explained that the tax is crippling business, and called for an emergency meeting of all cinema owners on November 30. Communication award to Prof. Elinu Katz. Professor Elinu Katz, head of the Hebrew University's Institute of Communications was yesterday awarded the international "in medias res" award for scientific achievement in the field of social communication and a prize of DM25,000 at a ceremony held in Germany. Katz is the first recipient of the award from a fund created by Dr. Herbert Burda, president of the German publishing firm "Burda," with the aim of encouraging research in the field of communication.

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Somalia 'astonished' at U.S. weapons ban

NAIROBI. — Somali President Siad Barre indicated on Wednesday night that the U.S. has declined his appeal for military assistance to counter Soviet support for Ethiopia.

Barre, who expelled Soviet military advisers and closed Russian installations 12 days ago, spoke bitterly about Washington's international obligations and the consequences to the strategic Horn of Africa if it fails to act.

Barre was asked at a news conference in the Somali capital about his meeting with U.S. ambassador John Loughran, who returned to Somalia earlier in the week after carrying an appeal from Barre to President Jimmy Carter.

"There was no good news. I'm astonished," Barre said. "If the United States is not taking its international responsibilities toward Somalia, what about the safety of the allies of the United States?"

The Somali leader reiterated his belief that the Soviet Union and Cuba have masterminded a plan to engulf the Horn of Africa, first taking back the port of Berbera in Somalia and then moving against such pro-Western nations as the Sudan and Kenya. He also said the Arab states are threatened by the Soviet presence.

"Europe and the United States have particular responsibilities to ask their friends to help us," Barre said, apparently referring to the conservative Islamic states such as

Saudi Arabia and Iran as "friends." But Barre's complaints did not equate with a report in the Kuwait newspaper "al-Anba" which said yesterday that Saudi Arabia is planning heavy financial and possibly military assistance for Somalia "as recognition" for Barre's latest anti-Soviet moves. A Saudi delegation will visit Mogadishu soon, the paper said, to "investigate Somalia's military and financial needs."

Following Barre's expulsion of Soviet personnel there was wide speculation that a Western or an Islamic country would send arms and spare parts to Somalia, possibly with the acquiescence, if not the support of the U.S.

The question of military assistance has assumed crisis proportions for Barre's government, in the view of diplomatic analysts, as Somali forces face tougher resistance in Ethiopia's Ogaden region from Soviet-supplied Ethiopian regulars assisted by Cuban experts.

Barre ridiculed American estimates that only 400-500 Cubans were assisting the Ethiopians, saying that the number is "beyond 20,000."

According to diplomatic reports, the Soviets have been pouring heavy tanks and artillery into the battle zone around the ancient walled fortress of Harar, in the north of the Ogaden region, and into its sister city of Dire Dawa to the northwest.

Schmidt: Political, not personal, guilt for Auschwitz

CRACOW, Poland (AP). — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, visiting the site of the Auschwitz death camp, said yesterday that modern Germans bear no personal responsibility for Nazi crimes but must carry a "political legacy of guilt."

"We know we cannot undo what was done," Schmidt said in a brief speech. "But we can draw conclusions for the future."

The chancellor, who arrived in Poland on Monday for a five-day visit, said young Germans do not need to feel restricted by the guilt of their country's Nazi past. But they must understand the world applies special standards to them, he said.

Schmidt is the first West German chancellor to visit Poland since the two countries established diplomatic relations in September 1972.

His predecessor in office, Willy Brandt, visited Poland in 1970 to sign a friendship treaty in which the Bonn government accepted the loss of 40,000 square miles of former German territory placed under Polish administration in 1945.

Vance fails to budge Venezuela on oil prices

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Secretary of State Cyrus Vance returned to Washington on Wednesday from a South American swing in which he failed to persuade Venezuela's President Carlos Andres Perez to agree to an oil price freeze.

"We agreed on everything, but prices," Vance said before leaving Venezuela, the chief hemisphere supplier of petroleum to the U.S. and the last stop on his four-day Latin American tour.

Earlier in his South American trip, Vance visited Argentina and Brazil, where he held talks on human rights and nuclear proliferation.

Vance told reporters after his luncheon and working session with Perez that he urged the Venezuelan leader to support a price freeze at the price conference of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries here December 20. "President Perez expressed his views on the matter," Vance continued. "They do not agree with our views."

French minister seeks to restore 'Arab unity'

PARIS (AP). — French Foreign Minister Louis de Guiringaud said yesterday he would try to convince Syrian leaders in Damascus next weekend that Egyptian President Anwar Sadat "abandoned nothing" in going to Israel and in fact "advanced the peace process."

In a television interview, de Guiringaud described Sadat's visit as "the capital political gesture," but noted it had led to a break in the Arab world.

He said the most important thing now was to restore the unity of the Arab nations before negotiations with Israel, and that he would try to help this process when he was in Damascus.

France refused to join a European statement before Sadat's visit backing the move, because it considered it might "cause problems" to Sadat in view of the opposition of other Arab nations. But it did join a statement after the visit welcoming the gesture.

Latin prelates call for peace in 'Holy Palestine'

ALBANY (Reuters). — A conference of Roman Catholic archbishops has called for peace and justice in "the Holy Land of Palestine" and the preservation of the sanctity of its Christian and Moslem shrines, a conference spokesman said.

The Latin Patriarch in Jerusalem, Monseigneur Giacomo Giuseppe Beltritti, is chairing the conference, which began here this week. It is attended by the archbishops of Somalia and Djibouti, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Amman, Nazareth in Israel, and the patriarchal vicar-general in Cyprus.

Two students held in kidnapping of Vienna millionaire

VIENNA (UPI). — Two Austrians suspected of kidnapping Vienna millionaire Walter M. Palmers earlier this month for a ransom of \$2m, were arrested in Switzerland, Austrian authorities said yesterday.

The two carriers, Francesco Beltritti, 20, and Othmar Keppeler, 19, both students who were known as sympathizers with West German terrorists, police said.

"It cannot be excluded that the kidnapping was a fund raising operation for international terrorism," Interior Minister Erwin Lenz told a news conference.

Lenz said the two suspects were caught by Swiss police Wednesday at Chiasso when they tried to cross into Italy in two cars they had rented with stolen papers.

Swiss police found two guns, \$70,000 and 100,000 Swiss francs (\$68,000) in the possession of the two suspects, Lenz said.

"The money was identical with the money collected by the kidnappers of Mr. Palmers," he said.

'Is it possible that the land really belongs to the Israelis?' Villagers sob on Sadat's return from Israel

By DON A. SCHANCOE
Washington Post News Service

CAIRO. — An Egyptian college professor looking for a small sample of the generally enthusiastic feelings throughout Egypt over President Sadat's visit to Israel went to his home village of Fisha in the Nile Delta and returned with this story.

At the hour of Sadat's triumphant return to Cairo on Monday night, most of the men of the village, dirt poor farmers, gathered as they had throughout the Jerusalem visit around the television set in Fisha's decrepit community centre. Some were sobbing openly. Almost to a man they praised the president whom only two weeks ago they had cursed for leading Egypt into poverty.

Then Ahmed Talaawi, an illiterate 60-year-old farm labourer, interrupted the celebration by announcing that on Tuesday morning he planned formally to divorce his wife. Following the tradition of the village, 15 other labourers and landowners tried to talk him out of the divorce, urging him to visit his estranged wife at her parents' house and try to patch up their differences.

The mediation session continued for three hours but remained at an impasse until Ibrahim Bilal, another illiterate farmer, said:

"Our hero President Sadat went to meet Golda Meir. If Sadat has met with the Jews, then there is no reason why you should not meet with your wife and try to solve your problems."

"All right," sighed Talaawi. "This is the third time you have talked me out of divorcing her. For the sake of President Sadat, I will go to see her and forget the divorce, but if she makes more trouble for me, I warn you, you can cut my throat and I won't change my mind again."

Prof. Amin Hossny Bonnah, who grew up in Fisha and now teaches Arabic at the American University of Cairo, said only one of the farmers was hostile to Sadat's daring gamble in going to Israel. All of the other two-dozen men who had dropped their work to watch the Jerusalem proceedings on television, were almost wildly enthusiastic.

One of them, Said Abdel Wihab, paid a

precious 84 piastres (two days wages) equalling about \$1.30 to send Sadat a cable which a village schoolteacher wrote for him.

"I am ready to sacrifice my life, my children and my land for your life because you have given us power and pride in the face of the enemy and the whole world. God will always be with you to make you successful and to protect you, and our hearts will be with you, blessing you always," the message said.

When the professor asked Wihab if he was really as sincere in his feelings as the cable suggested, the poor farm worker replied, "If someone right now tried to shoot and kill President Sadat, I would pray that the bullets would hit me instead and not him. I mean it from my heart."

Another farmer, 63-year-old Ibrahim Abu Shenab, sobbed openly throughout Sadat's return. When Prof. Bonnah asked why he was so choked with tears, Shenab said:

"My son, the only one of my children who was educated and could make a future for my family, went to the Sinai in 1967 and never returned. When I saw Sadat and Begin talking together, I said to myself, 'Why didn't they do this before my son was killed in the war?' Now they are meeting at last and talking peace. I pray to God that this will succeed so other sons and grandsons will not die. I am spending everything to educate my grandson now to take the place of my lost son, and for the sake of my family, my grandson must live."

The farmers uttered exclamations of surprise and delight throughout the two days of telecasts, Bonnah reported. One of them exclaimed, "Iaxia" (meaning "delicious") but used as a slang equivalent of "cute" when he saw farmer, premier Golda Meir sitting next to Sadat in Monday's Knesset talks.

"Is it possible that we are wrong and that this land of the Jews really belongs to the Israelis and not to the Palestinians?" asked another, after hearing Premier Menachem Begin's recounting of Jewish history in his Knesset speech on Sunday.

"They lost millions of people during World

War II," said Kamal Sakam, 23. "We should understand that they have good reason to be cautious with us." Mubashir Aza, 25, said "I am human beings like us who suffer and feel feelings, just as we do. This we can see today. A primary school teacher named Mohamam Omara called Sadat 'the most courageous man in the whole world.'"

But a vigorous protest came from the one in the village who reacted negatively, Elia Onkasha, who farms a one-acre plot with three sons and five daughters, said he balks at Sadat and all of Egypt would regret the dramatic event.

"I will tell you a parable," he said. "I have an acre, my neighbour, my brother, my cousin owns one acre. We are together, then come strangers and rape my neighbour's acre. He then says to me, 'I cannot trust him. For he will try to take my acre, too. So I must let my acre waiting for that moment. I cannot go to him, to the acre he has taken, and try to make him, because I can never trust him.'"

"I am ready to eat the mud of my acre if it becomes poor from more war," Onkasha continued. "This mud is rich with water from Nile. I can live on the mud, but I won't render, and I won't go to my enemy. I will my axe and fight against any enemy."

The professor said he felt every bit as an emotion as his friends in the village. "He saw Sadat step from his airplane at Ben-Gurion. It was the greatest feeling I have had in my life — greater than when Nasser died, greater than when I saw an American astronaut step on moon. It was the kind of feeling I would have told God was descending, and then saw come out of an airplane. It was like an earthquake to see Sadat shaking hands with G. Meir, with Moshe Dayan. It was beyond my comprehension."

"Since I was a boy I was taught — all I was taught — that Israel means destruction and death for us. Today my own president goes there and met these people. I still believe it. I pray that he succeeds and brings peace."

Rumanian dissident Paul Goma at Paris press conference

4,000 miners mistreated, expelled after August strike

PARIS (UPI). — Rumanian dissident Paul Goma said yesterday at a press conference that over 4,000 coal miners and their families were expelled from their homes in September following a revolt against repression and harsh conditions.

Goma, who arrived in Paris on Saturday with his family on a one-year tourist visa, said that he was beaten by Rumanian deputy interior minister Nicolae Plestita at police headquarters an hour after his most recent arrest.

President Carter's election has proven decisive for the Rumanian human rights movements, since many Rumanian citizens addressed themselves directly to President Carter by writing him letters, Goma said.

Goma appeared tired and overwrought after his trip, which he said should not be interpreted as a "desertion" of other Rumanian dissidents.

"Simple people are the worst treated in Rumania, because politicians think they have no way to appeal such treatment," he said. Goma, recounting the miners' strike which unconfirmed diplomatic reports said had occurred on August 13, said, "The miners were beaten in the most primitive way. Methylated spirits were poured down their throats. In early September at least 4,000 coal-miner families were expelled from the Jiu valley."

"They were sent to the villages where their families came from and where their fate was sealed since no one knows anything about them," Goma said, indicating that the miners could be persecuted by local officials without interference from human rights groups.

Goma said, "We have verified information that labour camps have been opened near the Black Sea and

that psychiatric internment as punishment for political offences has been reintroduced."

Goma, who has white hair and a white beard and was wearing thick glasses, said, "The Rumanian government has begun a policy of forcing dissidents to emigrate by giving them passports."

He said he was arrested on April 1 on charges of treason and homosexuality. He had laughed off the latter charge and said it was later changed to conspiracy.

As to his arrest, Goma said, "After half an hour of formalities two men wearing civilian clothes came into the room. One of them slapped me, then pulled at my beard and insulted me, calling me, 'Jew,' 'pederast,' and 'Fascist.'"

"Before I left, although he was busy with Arab demonstrations against Sadat's trip, he sent for me. He asked me to swear not to insult the homeland and the people and I answered of course I wouldn't. He then asked me not to insult the regime and I said I would make no such promise," Goma said.

He said Elena Ceausescu, the president's wife, started the persecution against him in 1970 "after a rumour spread that I had written a novel and that she was in it."

On her personal order, Goma said, the Enel Church in Bucharest was destroyed, although it had been restored only a year before. She ordered the elimination of the historic buildings committee.

"When she recently travelled in Moldavia with her husband, they made an impromptu stop at the Goldavia monastery. Because the Mass was not interrupted when she walked in, she threw a fit and ordered that all books on monasteries and all postcards depicting them be taken out of circulation."

Tito pardons dissident author

BELGRADE (UPI). — Yugoslavia has pardoned imprisoned dissident author Mihajlo Mihajlov and 217 other political "criminals" in an amnesty marking the country's national day, November 29, a government spokesman said yesterday.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Mirko Kalac said the 217 include some convicted now in prison and some accused of crimes but not yet convicted.

The amnesty is an annual event marking the anniversary of President Josip Broz Tito's proclamation of Yugoslavia as a Communist state in 1945.

Mihajlov, 43, was sentenced to seven years in prison in 1976 for spreading anti-Yugoslav propaganda and collaborating with hostile foreign groups. The author had published articles criticizing Tito's regime and advocating a multiparty system in Western publications.

The spokesman did not say when Mihajlov would be released.

Soviet navy's only aircraft carrier in serious trouble

BRUSSELS (Reuters). — The Soviet navy is having trouble with its only aircraft carrier, the Kiev, only a year after it was commissioned, authoritative Nato sources said yesterday.

Western intelligence services report that the 40,000-ton hybrid cruiser-carrier is in serious trouble although they are not sure why, the sources said.

They say that the Kiev, which entered the Mediterranean in July last year from the Black Sea where it was built, has spent less than two weeks at sea since last autumn.

The carrier has made only two forays into open sea — one for four days and one for 11 — since it arrived in the northern port of Murmansk shortly after leaving the Black Sea.

Its vertical takeoff and landing Yak-38 fighters (codenamed "Forgers" by Nato) have been removed and are flying out of an airbase near Murmansk, the sources said.

The Kiev's other aircraft, Kamov 25 anti-submarine helicopters

("Hormones" to Nato) have also been removed.

The sources said the ship might have engine trouble. But it was more likely that the Yak jet fighters have been found to burn the flight deck as they take off.

The sources said that the Yaks hover so long over the deck before moving into forward flight that the jet blast must all but melt the deck plates. They speculated that the Russians might be planning to install heat resistant ceramic materials, or to introduce a catapult to throw the planes off the deck, as do conventional carriers.

Because of the apparent difficulties with the Kiev, the Russians may delay commissioning a second ship, the Minsk, of the planned four Kirov-class cruiser carriers, which was launched three years ago but is still not ready for operations, the sources said.

When an improved Minsk did enter the Mediterranean, the Kiev would probably be sent back to the Black Sea for repairs and changes, the sources said.

Spanish monarchy to be hereditary

MADRID (Reuters). — The Spanish monarchy will be hereditary and the prime minister will be chosen by Parliament under the country's new constitution, the Basque newspaper "Egin" reported yesterday.

The paper published 73 articles of what it said was the constitution drafted by a seven-man parliamentary committee.

The report came as committee members, representing various political parties and all sworn to secrecy, frantically tried to plug leaks after a magazine published purported parts of the constitution yesterday.

The version published by "Egin" provides for the heirs of King Juan Carlos to rule Spain after him, effectively barring such pretenders as Prince Carlos Hugo de Borbon-Parma, a distant cousin of the king and leader of the left-wing Carlist Party.

The Congress, or lower house, will elect the prime minister from candidates proposed by parliamentary groups, establishing the principle of government responsibility to parliament.

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Knesset members, professors and mayors will take part in the press conference.

Mr. Ha'ari Alfasi Feerman, candidate for "The Crown Prince," will address the Convention and the press conference on: Monarchy in a Modern Democracy, and will discuss his book — "In the Footsteps of King David to the Golden Gate" (publishers, Yessod Ltd.). The book contains the criticisms of kings, presidents and world religious leaders. Other speakers will address the Convention and press conference.

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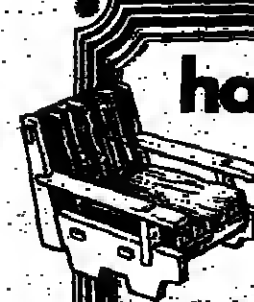
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A report from somewhere in Israel where Sadat wasn't

Men who missed it all

By MATTHEW NESVISKY

Everybody thrilled to Sadat's... I missed it all... n't abroad. I was stuck in... standing thing was that... plained. Shukit ate a can... lantly. Dudik rubbed his... ven cheeks. The rest of us... nd, disappointed, sullen... ent back to our tents to... rs. The men made offe... edication. I found that... Every soldier pines for... Shabbat; we yearned to... incredibly momentous... ith our families... only been in this reserve... years. Clearly, I still had... an about my comrades... ill in their 30s and 40s and... amilies. They've been in... but they're not the... eroes. Today they're the... third line of defence... en sent to sweat in Sharm... and to freeze in the Golan... They didn't see combat in... but during the final dis-

engagement negotiations they sat out there in the sand for 80, 80, 100 days. They're highly typical of the reserve pool of citizen-soldiers. I am the only Jerusalemite in the bunch. All the others come from moshavim, development towns, or the coastal cities up north. Cab-drivers, port-workers, factory hands, farmers, machinists. Here and there a clerk or a technician. I like these men. They're an education for a desk-squatter and pen-pusher like myself. And they show quick compassion for me. "Hey, Jerusalem Post," they call out. "You poor fish. The news story of the decade and you're stuck here. The whole capital going crazy and you're missing it. Ai, Matti kamiesek." The army does what it can. In the afternoon we're each allowed a minute's worth of fuzzy phone call. Wives preparing those special welcome-home Friday night dinners. Kids knowing their khaki daddies are bringing toffee and waffles from the Shekem. So little can he said in those phone conversations. Sadat. Don't know how long. Bitter disappointment at the other end of the line. Stony

stoleism from the troops. Then back to our hunka and our radios. Friday night dinner in a camp is always a sad affair, such a poor substitute for the real thing. This one's worse than usual. True, after what we've been eating lately out in the field, the *salads* tastes as delicious as wedding cake. But there's no wine. And the main course is *tu*, that infamous compost of tinned meat. Along with a crazy assortment of starchy vegetables. It's a minor inconvenience, missing one Friday night at home. Yet I couldn't be gloomier. Sad. Sadder. Sadat. All too soon we're back on our beds, cuddling our transistor radios. We haven't retired so early since kindergarten. And yet, incredibly, I still haven't

heard anybody complain. Misery loves company, however, and it's a damn to the spirit if you can find someone unbappier than yourself. Laibel, lying on the next cot, is a good-natured dairyman from Nahariya. "Well," I say, "you're really the unlucky one. I remember you telling us how you'd done 35 days *misfir*, and then just when your time was up the Yam Kipur war broke out. Now this. And if not this you've got Katyushas falling around your neighbourhood. You really have no luck at all." Laibel looks at me blandly. "Don't ever call me unlucky." "No?"

He pulls on his cigarette. "When I was eight, in the Ukraine, I was one of 15,000 children to enter a concentration camp. Not 1,500 of us came out of there alive. Don't ever call me unlucky."

Oh I have been making mountains out of the molehills of my misery.

SATURDAY, the day of Sadat's arrival, is depressingly bright and sunny. A few of the men pick up an uninspired, big-bellied game of football. Kufel does his crossword. Yossi re-shines his boots. I'm into some of the antidotal reading matter I always pack along with me to *mitim*. How apt and pregnant are thy words, O crazy Ezra Pound: *Go in a friendly manner / Go with an open speech... / Go to those who are thickened with*

middle age... / Go out and defy

Found's talking about his sense of love. I'm thinking about Sadat's address to the Knesset...

Determined to play journalist, I ask for everyone's opinion on the Sadat visit. For once a poll proves almost unanimous: The Don't-Knows have it hands down. Nobody knows what to say or think.

Shabbat drags on. Some of the men are even playing an incongruous game of hopscotch, that's how bored they are. Lunch is no diversion, just a poor re-run of the previous night's sad dinner.

And all through the day, the radio. A bit parade of peace songs heralds Sadat's arrival. With wonder, we ingest it all through our translators and it materialises in the mind's eye like a dream.

Sunday. A second Sabbath, brighter, warmer than the first. Get up when you like. Amble to breakfast. Nothing for us to do. Not even a roadblock for us to man. Just remain on the alert. Remember to carry your rifle to the dining hall. Listen to the radio. Wait. Michab is worrying about his

citrus orchards. Dov was supposed to appear in traffic court this morning. Avi wonders how his wife is managing his grocery without him. Jacky's losing another costly day by not being behind the wheel of his taxi. Some of the men start a game of poker, in wild defiance of Army regulations. It is a very dispirited game. Yet nobody is complaining.

Lunch again. The boys in the kitchen are unloading the larder to lavish delicacies on us. Even halvah and sweet corn. But it doesn't help. People are getting edgy. And still — even though I'm listening for it — nobody really seems to be taking it personally; no one curses his fate in terms of his own discomfort and inconvenience. That can't be normal.

Long afternoon in the stuffy tent. Listening to the leaders at the Knesset. We meet history with impassive faces. But we're hanging on to every detail. The kids are on the streets waving their flags, and we aren't there.

Of course, when it's all over, we do get to go home. All things come to an end — the good, the bad, and who knows, the perpetual state of war.

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Sadat shalom

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teams can produce in colour... whenever they want to... and that in fact, they film many... in colour, especially if they hope... to send the material abroad. No great... technical or financial problems... stand in the way of broadcasting... to the nation continually in the hues... that the Almighty intended us to see... the world, even at second hand, via... the box. They have almost all the... equipment they need. On Sunday... morning, Communications Minister... Meir Amit gave him the green light... to let us have some colour in our... lives.

The only obstacle preventing... Israel going permanently colour... conscious is that posed by the... Treasury — everyone will want to... get rid of their dull black-and-white... sets, and to dwell above the rainbow... This, fears the Treasury, would in... volve the most dreadful of all evils... a rise in the standard of living. Livni... has suggested one possible answer... slapping on taxes so high that only... people with foreign currency will be... able to afford to convert. And this, of... course, would be very undemocratic... a gap between rich and poor, something we cannot have in Israel... Surely the answer, now that we

have a government which believes in... a free economy, is to abolish all... taxes on colour sets, and to raise... steeply those imposed on black-and... white. This will bring our viewing... habits into line with Mr. Ehrlich's... other economic policies.

AS HE introduced Kolbotek on Tues... day night, Danny Pe'er said sadly... that there is something very strange... about reverting to normal living... after so much ecstasy. It is like com... ing out of a theatre, after seeing an... exceptional Othello, and trying to... catch a bus or taxi in the middle of... a heavy rain. But I suppose there is no... way of staying on the heights — we... have to rely now for our thrills on... Starsky, Kutch, the Hammond... brothers, the Waiblingen... pranksters.

There is clearly a moral lesson for... us in "Washington: Behind Closed... Doors." One must not trust an... American president as far as one... can throw a cat, assuming that one... should ever be tempted to so hurl an... inoffensive feline. There is no limit to... the villainy of which they are... capable, Monckton, Currie, Ander... son, Nixon, Ike, Jack Lyndon — it

doesn't matter whom you name, they... were all, according to the... Ehrlichman view of history, as... amoral as a rooster in a barnyard... Look at the monstrous things this... guy Monckton does, for instance. As... soon as he is in the White House, he... gets rid of Bill, the p.r. man who got... him into the building. Ungrateful... swine. He's hardly sitting in the Oval... Room before he's planning his next... election campaign. Imagine that! What... does he care if he's really unfit to... hold high office, he wants to retain... it. And then, horror of horrors! He... schemes to get the law changed so as... to be eligible for a third term. Well... that is the limit — no wait, that's... something even worse. He doesn't... like to have bachelors around him, so... he sends a message to poor Roger... that he can only go tomcatting... around Washington after he's got a... wife tucked away in Georgetown... like everybody else in Washington... So Monckton's pre-marriage, the... rat!

Incidentally, maybe that black... haired guy who conveyed the ultimatum... to poor Roger — get married or get lost — was... Ehrlichman? I hadn't noticed him... around before. Perhaps Dick used... Ehrlichman like Zeus used Eros.

In some ways the film does mirror... real life. I could never make out... what were the really ghastly things... Nixon did, for which he was so... savagely punished by fate, apart... from his stupidity in not burning the... tapes. Breaking into the Democratic... Headquarters? Income tax... avoidance? Over-spending on elec... tion campaigns? Getting rid of... political opponents? None of it adds... up to such a big deal.

TUVYA TSAFIR opened "Nine... Squared" with a great imitation of... Samuel Platts-Sharon making a... Hebrew speech under waving hyp... nosis. I still prefer the "Twenty... Questions" programme to this... geometric one, in which the humour... of the stars seems very laboured... Admittedly, there is an element of... competition, and of seeing somebody... getting money for very little effort... always a pleasing spectacle.

There is a little gem of a... programme on Tuesday afternoon... miniature chess masterpieces. I am... not clear whether the games are... devised by Horace Shepherd, who... presents the programme, or whether... they are famous matches actually... played in the past. This week's... game, "Full Circle," rang a bell in... my memory — but perhaps it was... just reminiscence of some game I lost... myself.

The Sports Programme, "Faster... Higher, Stronger," about decathlon... athletes, is also very good, inspiring... profound admiration for these iron... men. But this week's instalment... about Paul Jemmer seemed to have... suffered from a cutter's scissors;... several events were left out, and we... never knew how he moved from... trailing in third place to being... assured of the gold.

Answer, come back to us!

"PLEASE do try not to mill around... down there so much, dears," said the... Muse of History. "It's hard enough... to get a decent perspective flitting... alone through a booby glade. But... here with all you people pushing and... jostling, and your deadlines and all... — why, a girl can hardly think."

The Muse looked down on an up... turned sea of flashbulbs, microphones... and assistants belonging to nearly 2,000 journalists. Nervous... and upset because of a technical... mishap, she nevertheless... managed to speak in a very pretty... tambic hexameter, which was... translated simultaneously into jour... nalistese and immediately bounced off... a satellite. From time to time one of... her attendant nymphs, all wearing... diaphanous above-the-knee tunics... and carrying attache cases, passed... her a clay note.

The press conference with the... visiting Muse, held last weekend in... Jerusalem, was dogged from the... start by a mishap which, though... serious, was not unusual in... historiographical circles.

The problem was that it had been... arranged for the day before Mr... Sadat's arrival instead of the day... after. Tempers among the jour... nalists were therefore short. And... Clio herself betrayed annoyances... on occasion, shifting from hexameter... into pentameter and back, a lapse... noticed by few of the milling... correspondents.

"Come on, give us a little hint!"... shouted an internationally famous... analyst. "What will be the results of... tomorrow's historic moment? And... are you happy to be here?"

THE MUSE, who was wearing a... casual yet elegantly wearable tunic... esashed at the waist for a blouson... effect, was irritated, as who... wouldn't be. "The name is Clio, not... Cleopatra," she said tartly. "Sometimes I wonder what has... happened to you fellows, what with... the data explosion. Please do not... confuse us. She is one of my major... figures. Her papa was Ptolemy XI... Mine was Zeus."

A little girl showed her press card... and asked, "Yes, but what is going to... happen? Can't you give us a teeny... peek?"

"Ask my sister Urania," said Clio... managing a smile. "I hope you know... dear, that she is the Muse of... Astroonomy. She's sorry she couldn't... be with us today, but she's still try... ing to figure out whether getting on... the Moon was a giant step forward... for mankind."

A grown-up journalist asked... "How did you feel when you decided... to come? How will you feel... tomorrow? How does it feel to be a... Hellenistic concept, improved by the... Romans? Are you happy?"

MEET THE MUSE

By HELGA DUDMAN



CLIO WIGGLED her toes contemptu... ously in her unplatformed sandals... and said, "Was it for this that I've... dragged you characters down... through the corridors of time? Only... to have you emerge with this incredi... ble superfluity of cameras and... tings and to ask such silly... questions?"

Yet they persisted; some plain... tively: "Aw, come on, be a sport!... After whatever it is that's going to... happen happens, will you evaluate it... as a new era? Or just a terrific

happening and then back to the old... grind?"

Others were aggressive, almost... rude: "Hey! Tell us what you're go... ing to be doing tomorrow night!"... Flashbulbs went on flashing... cameras whirring and clicking, peo... ple pushing. The Muse whispered to... an assistant nymph that the media... greatly interfered with the writing of... history, and that they were "worse... than the Eumenides." A nearby... journalist caught this as "the... Humanities," and within the hour a... reasoned analysis of the im... plications was appearing on millions... of screens throughout the free world.

"Oh, please," begged a well-known TV personality, "please tell... us just a few words about the long-range... evaluation. In depth."

The crush of well-known per... sonalities was becoming unbearable... "Look," said Clio, "I'm in the... business of the unrolled scroll of... prophecy, not frogs entrails, and I'm... writing a thesis for an M.A. in... history. But why in the world wasn't... I asked to come, say, in a month?... Then I might have had time to think... But this is ridiculous."

"Tell us a colour story, then," said... a woman journalist. "Something... about yourself, your family, your... hobbies."

"There are nine of us girls, as you... know. No boys. Daddy had plenty of... them, of course, but from other... mummies. Ours, Mnemosyne — no... don't bother to ask how to spell it, it's... all there in your press kit."

Another well known com... munications personality thrust a... microphone at the Muse's roebud... lips saying, "Tell us about your most... exciting Historic Moment."

Clio sneered, "I suggest you ask... some of my little nieces. They're... called Euphorbia and Fantasia."

Another well-known microphone: "Are you optimistic or pessimistic?"

Clio's voice broke just a little... "Neither. I'm realistic." To the... attendant nymph she whispered, "I... just dare them to print that."

THE HUBBUB was getting worse by... the second. A jargon of journalists... clashed with a cliché of commen... tators. "Millions of words every day... and I'm supposed to make... something of it," said the Muse, in a... voice which sounded sexy but was... really just very upset. Finally she... shouted, "I can't bear it! I'm going... to change jobs with one of my... sisters! With Euterpe, who does... music and lyric poetry — what an... easy life! Better yet, with Thalia!... She handles comedy! Nothing but... yuks down the millennia while my... work gets more and more impossible... every day..."

And as the television cameras rolled... inexorably on, the Muse of... History burst into tears.

Shadowy figure of Dinah

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of her sex among the inhabitants of... the land, and she excites the passion... of the sons of the local tribal chief... Shechem, who rapes her. Unlike the case of the rape of... Tamar by her half-brother Amnon... whose love turns to hatred and rejection... Shechem remains filled with love for... the victim of his assault, and he... "speaks to the heart of the maiden,"... pleading his love. He takes every... energetic step to obtain, as was... necessary according to tribal

law, the consent both of his father... and of the tribal elders and after that... of the family of Dinah. Her proud... brothers violently refuse to countenance this step to... make their injured sister "respectable...," and two of her six full... brothers, Simeon and Levi (the other... six were half-brothers) decide upon... and execute the draconic act of... revenge, which subsequently calls... forth the condemnation of their aged... father on his death bed. (Gen. 49:5-7).

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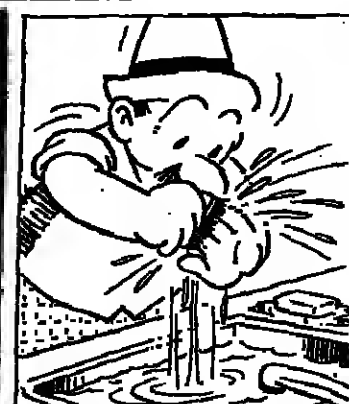
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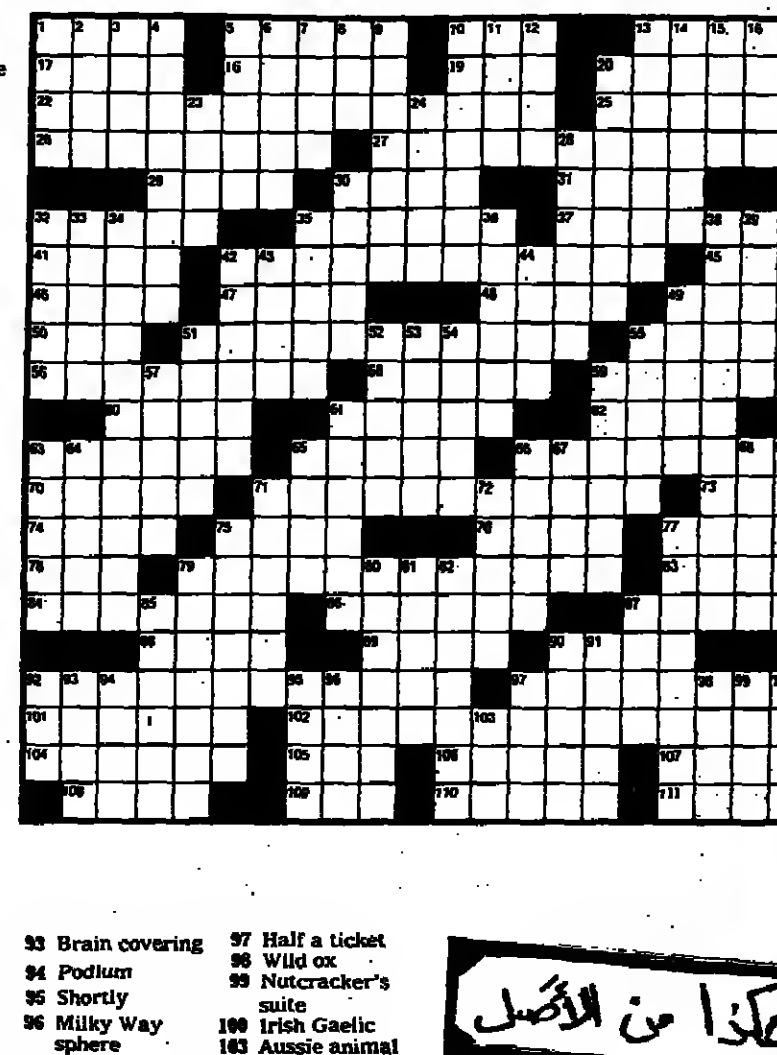
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A spokeswoman for children

By SUSAN BELLOS / Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIDS is hard, says Dr. Klein, a soft-complexioned, middle-aged man with a big job in a preschool empire, which starts at three months, could be considered a breed-and-dump policy.

Dr. Klein made the distinction between whether a day-care centre, for example, was intended for the child's benefit or the mother's. It must be primarily geared towards the children; "although if women have to work, somebody has to take care of them." Parents, in her view, should be both in and out of the process. A mother, in order to do a good job, needs some relief; on the other hand, parents must be involved in pre-school programmes. (This is far more developed in the U.S. than in Israel.)

THE TROUBLE is that nobody has a very clear idea of what a three-year-old, or under, should be doing in all these facilities, beyond keeping out of his parents' way. In Israel, it is admitted these days, at least by Dr. Miriam Rosenblatt, director of the Joseph J. Schwartz Graduate Programme for Training Community Centre Directors, that "very few professionals in the field are knowledgeable about the developmental needs of children under three."

Dr. Klein, the guest of the Hebrew University's Paul Baerwald School of Social Work and its School of Education, under whose auspices the Schwartz Programme functions, has something to say about that, too.

Training people for work with toddlers is complex. Although a high standard of professionalism is most important, academic people, however, are academically degenerated, often lack child-appell. (Dr. Klein does not, if a four-year-old with ear-bugs is anything to go by.) Highly trained professionals may be most important at the head of an institution, hence the Schwartz Programme, but what counts for the child is the person in immediate con-

tact with him (or her). The child may prefer a sympathetic soul ready to wipe his nose, rather than to dazzle his nascent intellect.

In the U.S., according to Dr. Klein, the lowly kindergarten help is beginning to be recognized. A helper cannot be illiterate, but she needs no formal academic accreditation. However, as we all know, letters after one's name generally mean more money. Dr. Klein's department has overcome this particular hurdle by creating the title of Child Development Associate (CDA). This title does not denote academic achievement but proven competence in child-care. It means that many women who have previously been undervalued by a society which sets a person's worth according to his salary, at last have the chance to earn a decent wage. This is an idea which might well be copied in Israel, where a legion of kindly women work at a drudge's wage as a kindergarten "helper" — receiving far less than if they cleaned floors in private homes.

Another idea, which might usefully be copied, comes from Dr. Klein's particular area of interest, special education. She started out as a teacher of retarded children. (She emigrated to the U.S. from Nazi Germany in 1938; the mother of two grown sons, she is married to a meteorologist.) She feels very strongly that the retarded must not be hidden away from society. Handicapped children, she maintains, are going to have to live, admittedly with difficulty, in the world of ordinary people when they grow up, so the earlier the two worlds learn to live together, the better. This is not easy, of course, as handicapped children have very special needs and problems, but they have to learn to cope, and society has to learn to be sensitive to their needs. This thinking goes against much of the tide in Israel where in spite of some "slow" and "special" classes in regular schools, handicapped children are generally shunted off into separate,

and very often severely inferior, facilities. Nitzan State Religious School for Retarded and Brain-Damaged Children in Jerusalem is admitted by the municipality to be the worst school building in the Capital, and its secretary told me a few weeks ago, "When come parents are referred here with their children, they come here and see the building, they weep."

IN THE U.S., the law now states that every child has a right to an education "in the least restrictive environment." This is interpreted as meaning that a child should not be placed in a special class if he can function at all in a regular one, Dr. Klein emphasized.

Ten per cent of all places in Headstart pre-school programmes have been reserved for handicapped children, and any school integrating a handicapped child will receive \$500 a year. This is not much, Dr. Klein admits, but she sees it as the beginning of an important new trend. Not only do the children benefit, but so do their parents who were formerly weak, ashamed and isolated. In Israel, a small start has been made in this direction with the Ministry of Education's Shih programme where children with learning disabilities have been integrated into a normal kindergarten.

There is sometimes the feeling in an Israel of ever-shrinking budgets that handicapped children, if one looks at their buildings and services, are regarded as a less viable investment than what municipal educational officials refer to as "strong children." If this is indeed so, it's not an attitude "that I could live with," said Dr. Klein. It is not only economics, since society cannot afford just to disregard the handicapped who will then grow up to be charges on society. It is far more deeply, she believes, "a very undemocratic attitude."



Michael Kfir and Gita Munte in "Summerfolk."

Something very good

THEATRE

Mendel Kohansky

anything for the poor, the exploited, Suvlov (Michael Kfir), an engineer who learns that a wall in a building he designed has collapsed and killed two workmen, and does not let this interfere with his drinking and cavorting, speaks up for the rest of them. Because they had been poor, he says, because they had suffered hunger and degradation in their youth, they should now take advantage of everything their present affluence offers, and the hell with everybody else.

INTERESTINGLY enough, it is the men in the play who represent goodness, while all the women are to some degree revolted by the lives they lead and are given to a helpless, ineffectual idealism. The beautiful, ethereal Varvara Mikhailovna (Leora Rivkin) moves through the play like an angel who has lost her wings. She detests her husband, the prosperous lawyer Bassov (Amnon Meskin); over the years, she found consolation and escape in the novels of Shalimov (Han Toren), which gave her a vista of a better, purer life, until she met him and found that he too was like all the others.

"Throw away that flower! I gave it to another man!" she cries to the writer, who is interested in nothing

more than a little summer romance. At the end of the play she announces, in one of those grand, empty Russian gestures, that she is leaving her husband and all that, and we know that she has no place to go.

Then there is Ryumov (Gedalia Beaser), a pseudo-intellectual constantly inquiring about the meaning of life, a man so ineffectual that when he tries to shoot himself out of unrequited love for Varvara, he misses.

Kaleria (Sandra Sadeh), Bassov's unmarried sister, writes had poetry and walks as if the earth were unworthy of carrying her. She asks the rhetorical question, "And what about me?"

Suvlov's wife Julia (Gita Munte), has been having a romance with Zamilov, a younger version of her husband, is more practical. "Let's go," she says to her hated drunken husband, "and continue our life."

The caretaker of the resort (Yossef Beasi) has the last word as the summerfolk leave at the end of their vacation; raking up the debris on the lawn, he mutters: "What dirt these people leave."

The show is beautifully orchestrated, with many of the scenes emerging like musical motifs. The acting, by members of the cast already mentioned, and by others (for example, Alex Munte as the corrupt doctor, and Nathan Masler as the rich uncle), is fine. There are outstanding moments: Leora Rivlin speaking to her fallen idol, Ruth Segal in the tender love scenes.

Eliz Sinai's set is properly Russian, with its slender poplars and a lake in the background. It is beautifully lit by Yehiel Orgel. The faultless costumes are by Moshe Musman. Hanna Hachoen provided the Russian background-music and songs. □

Not forgotten fighters, the Jewish Legion

By SEAYA SHAPIRO / Jerusalem Post Reporter

famous Zion Mule Corps, 850 men in strength, headed by the legendary Yosef Trumpeldor and commanded by Col. J.H. Patterson.

The Corps was sent to Gallipoli in May 1915 and disbanded at the end of the ill-fated campaign.

Early in 1916, 120 former members of the Corps again volunteered for service with the British forces and, attached to the 20th London Battalion, they became the nucleus for the Jewish Legion being sought by Gen. J. J. Bullfinch, then British High Commissioner in Palestine, and Yitzhak Ben-Zvi. The Legion consisted of the 36th Battalion, Royal Fusiliers; the 38th Battalion, (more than half of whom

were American Jews); and the 40th Battalion, which was all-Palestinian.

"It was the Balfour Declaration which generated real enthusiasm for the Legion," says Bratman. Then a boy just 16, he had lied about his age and enlisted. He remembers vividly the recruiting drives on the East Side of New York, with the Zionist flag and young Jews being called on to volunteer to defend their homeland, Palestine.

"Once the war had ended, the Legionaries had hoped to form the nucleus of a defence system for the Jewish National Home. But anti-Zionist winds were blowing at military headquarters. It was

proposed to send the Legion to quell rebellious movements in Egypt. This the Legionaries would not accept. Then the demobilization was ordered of those who had volunteered in Britain. The Americans demanded to be demobilized, too.

"Most of us would have stayed in Palestine; but the Zionist Organization was powerless — they had no money, no organization, no work. So most of us returned to America," Bratman says. His own reason for returning was his mother's plea that, as the elder son in the family, he go back to help bring up his five brothers and sisters.

The end of the Jewish battalions came after their members had taken part in the defence of Jewish settlements against Arab attacks, and consoling and escape in the novels of Shalimov (Han Toren), which gave her a vista of a better, purer life, until she met him and found that he too was like all the others.

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A RADICAL THEOLOGIAN

CHRISTIAN COMMENT / Oikoumenikos

PROFESSOR Paul van Buren, the radical theologian whose book *The Secular Meaning of the Gospel* caused shock waves in the mid-'60s, is striking the theological waters again. During his recent month-long visit to Israel, he talked about his affirmation of Judaism and what he believes this means for the church and its theology.

How should Christians understand recent significant events in the life of the Jewish people? Significant events in a people's history are generally interpreted in the light of the way a people understands its past. If it is asserted that one's history is in some way related to the living God, then a hermeneutic of history will evolve that will have an impact upon the interpretation of recent events. Thus, the destruction of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar and the Exile had an impact on those who "retold Jewish history in such a way as to lead up to the latest chapter."

The result may be seen in several books in the Hebrew scriptures. The early Jewish followers of Jesus, says van Buren, retold their Jewish history in the light of how they understood the "Jesus-event." Their *midrash* became the apostolic writings which Christians generally call the "New Testament."

Have Christians taken adequate note of the events of the Holocaust, the survival of the Jewish people, and the State of Israel? Van Buren feels that there are encouraging signs, both in documents from the Vatican and from the World Council of Churches, but the significance of these events demands much greater reflection, especially as they relate to Christian theology. That is the task to which van Buren has now committed himself, and it is a monumental one.

It is important for Christians to affirm Judaism, says van Buren, and to recognize that the Jews are "the people of God." In his lecture at the Oikoumenical Institute at Tannur, he emphasized that today's Jews are to be identified with the Biblical people of Israel.

"If ever a people had a claim to unity and continuity, by language, literature, culture, blood, and shared hopes and faith, the Jews are that people."

"If the Jews are the people of God, they are so, according to their whole tradition, by grace, not by merit. They may be the faithful people of God, they may be the faithless and disobedient people of God. They are and remain, by everything" the



Professor Paul van Buren, author of "The Secular Meaning of The Gospel."

church holds sacred, the people of God. They were before, and they are now. Whether they chose so to regard themselves or not is their business, not ours."

If this is true, asks van Buren, who or what are the Christians? We Christians, he replies to his own question, "are the Church of God, Gentiles who fall on our knees to adore the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of Sinai, the Holy One of Israel, the God of the Jews."

Moreover, he asserts, Christians are not the people of God; that is the Jews' identity. It is at this point that his position has encountered the most criticism in Jerusalem, since part of the self-understanding of many Christians has been that they are the people of God; that they who were not a people, God has called "my people" (Ezekiel 37:31, Romans 9:25, 1 Peter 2:10). This need not imply any rejection of Israel, as St. Paul insists (Romans 11:1). Christians are grafted into the olive tree, and are supported by its roots in Judaism, in the imagery of Romans 11.

Theology, for van Buren, is a part of the continuing conversation of the church; it is "to be critical and questioning, but also a suggestive

and constructive contribution" to that conversation. Van Buren's contribution has been greatly influenced by his encounter with Judaism in the last five years. "Christian theology has too long been premised on the invalidity of Judaism," he remarks. His growing appreciation of Jewish tradition led to his concentration on that field of study during a recent sabbatical leave. "It was the most exciting year of my life," he says; "it opened up whole new perspectives for me."

Frans Rosenzweig was one of the Jewish writers who significantly stimulated van Buren's reflection. He views Rosenzweig as a theologian of the first magnitude, one who has provided a framework in which to view Judaism and Christianity together. Another influential figure for him has been Prof. Gershon Scholem, whose introduction to Jewish mysticism opened up another rich dimension. "His ability to handle the material as a critical historian, without in any way depreciating his sources, is certainly fascinating," says van Buren.

The founding and the survival of the State of Israel have profound meaning for Christian theology, van Buren believes. "It must clearly be viewed as one of the watershed points for the Jewish people, and I think also for Jewish theology. We may be yet too close to the event. We can already see some of the ways in which the Holocaust has had an impact on Jewish thought... it forms part of the background for any Jewish thinker. In a similar way, the State of Israel is going to have a more important place increasingly in their own self-understanding, and in what they mean when they speak of God, or Providence, or Halacha and the meaning of its observance. This is already happening."

This is also having a growing impact on what van Buren calls "radically reconstructed theology." In the light of the above-mentioned events, van Buren proposes a "demolition and reconstruction" which he anticipates will result in four volumes following many years of endeavour. In November 1975 at the American Academy of Religion, van Buren had already outlined his plan, recognizing that it would be viewed as "revolutionary."

Van Buren's conviction that "we need to take Israel seriously" was the reason for his recent visit here while on leave from his post as Chairman of the Department of Religion at Temple University in Philadelphia.

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OPINION

Ten years after UN Resolution 242

SECURITY COUNCIL Resolution 242 was ushered into the world on November 22, 1947, with the bang of the presidential gavel pounded vigorously by Ambassador Mamadou Boubacar Kante, representative of the Republic of Mali. His announcement that all the 15 members of the Council had unanimously voted in favour of the British draft resolution was not followed by an outburst of general rejoicing, but rather by a whimper of relief.

The United Nations had at long last acquitted itself of an onerous task. What the Security Council had accomplished was to formulate a set of guidelines for the establishment of a just and lasting peace between the Arab States and Israel. It was to be the master key to unlock a conflict deadlocked for 20 years. But what went beyond the Council's ability was to induce the parties to the conflict to turn the key in the same direction.

Resolution 242 was not adopted in the flush of Israel's sweeping victory nor in the immediate aftermath of Egypt's resounding defeat. It was the outcome of a protracted diplomatic wrangle. During its gestation period which lasted six months it underwent startling permutations.

The last such permutation was a British draft resolution which, in its final version, tabled on November 16, contained six guiding principles:

- (1) The establishment of a just and lasting peace between Israel and the Arab States constitutes the central objective;
- (2) Withdrawal of Israel forces from occupied territories should take place to secure and recognized boundaries agreed upon within the terms of a peace treaty;
- (3) Peace must be attained through free negotiations and not by outside imposition;
- (4) Unrestricted freedom of navigation through all international waterways in the area must be ensured;
- (5) A just solution of the refugee problem should be found;
- (6) A United Nations Special Representative would be authorized to render his good offices to the parties, but not to act as mediator or arbitrator.

Yet before the draft resolution was allowed to reach the voting stage the Arab delegations supported by the Soviet Union made an all out effort to alter the withdrawal paragraph. They insisted that the resolution should call upon Israel explicitly to withdraw all its forces from all the occupied territories.

Every diplomatic ploy was brought into play. The Soviet delegation, reinforced by the First Deputy Foreign Minister Vasily V. Kuznetsov, a skilful and respected negotiator, took a particularly active part in the dealings. A rumour of a possible

Soviet veto was casually planted in the lobby; a Soviet counter resolution was introduced post haste; and a last minute motion of adjournment of the vote for "further consultation" was moved.

During a two day interlude the Soviet Government made a concerted effort to persuade the U.S. to accept the wording: "Withdrawal of Israel forces from all the occupied territories". They carried their fight for the definite article to the highest level in Washington. When President Johnson firmly declined, Prime Minister Kosygin proposed as a last resort to let the word "all" fall by the wayside and to agree to the wording "withdrawal from the occupied territories".

The summit exchange ended when the U.S. informed the Soviet Union in final and unmistakable terms that not an iota could be changed in the British draft. When the Security Council reconvened for the vote on November 22 the Soviet representative raised his hand together with his American colleague and all the other delegates in favour of the unaltered British draft which entered into the annals of international diplomacy as "Security Council Resolution 242".

ALONG WITH the definite article preceding the provision for withdrawal from occupied territories, the most conspicuous omission in Resolution 242 was that of any reference to the Palestinian people. That was deliberate. As a matter of fact, the term "Palestine" does not appear in it anywhere.

The resolution refers to the just solution of the refugee problem, which was created by the military intervention of the Arab States against Israel, and which produced in the area large-scale refugee movements of Arabs and Jews alike. The refugee problems in the Middle East are unfortunately not unique in the world. They are part of the trail of human misery left behind by wars and upheavals.

If the Arab refugee problem is exceptional, it is only because the Arab leaders, instead of applying their political fervour to its solution, have traditionally been working for its perpetuation. The solution of the problem most of them still aspire to, is the dissolution of Israel.

When the Security Council adopted Resolution 242, it was fully aware of Arab designs to forge the refugee problem into a potent political weapon. It declined to support this destructive objective, even if presented in ostensible innocent and well camouflaged wording.

Last Tuesday was the tenth anniversary of Security Council Resolution 242, which for the first time offered guidelines for a negotiated Arab-Israeli peace settlement. Ambassador GIDRON RAFAEL, who was Israel's Permanent Representative to the UN at the time the historic resolution was adopted, surveys its origins and its career to date.



Lord Caradon of the United Kingdom (centre) tabling his draft resolution on November 16, 1947. Sitting next to him are Vasily V. Kuznetsov (left) of the Soviet Union and Arthur J. Goldberg of the U.S.

Until the Yom Kippur War the Palestinian aspect remained practically relegated to stagnant, international backwaters. The regional turbulence, however, caused by the war created numerous changes in the political configuration of the area. It facilitated the emergence to prominence of the "Palestine issue".

A campaign of ruthless terrorism accompanied by a cleverly orchestrated propaganda campaign; the belief of political leaders of industrial countries that by paying tribute to the Palestinian cause they could secure the flow of Arab oil; the hope of their colleagues from the developing world that their countries would be awarded a sizeable share of the accumulated Arab wealth; and, of course, the existence of a real issue though grossly misrepresented — all these made it convenient to

dramatize "the Palestinian problem" and to present it as the core of the conflict; and "most of the world found it expedient to agree," as Prof. Bernard Lewis wrote in his noteworthy article "The Palestinians and the PLO."

In the same context Prof. Lewis dwelt on the Soviet attitude towards the PLO: "It serves a useful function as part of the political minefield which the Soviets have thought it expedient to lay across the road to peace, and which they can detonate as and when there seems to be a serious danger of settlement not under their auspices and not in accordance with their interests."

Indeed the PLO is a convenient tool: ideologically confused, internationally affiliated with "Terror Incorporated," politically remote-controlled, militarily supplied with

Soviet arms and financially sustained by petrodollars.

Like the Sudeten German problem of the sombre 1930's, which was groomed as the "central issue" in order to dismantle Czechoslovakia, the Palestinian problem was being used forty years later as the thin end of a wedge to break up the independence of Israel.

The true answer to this problem can obviously only be found within the new pattern of human, political, economic, regional inter-state relations which will ultimately emerge from full-fledged peace negotiations. The framework of an Israel-Jordan peace settlement is its best chance. Provided there is a genuine and proven desire to establish good-neighbourly relations, there should be no unsurmountable obstacles to reconciling the security requirements, the national aspirations and the economic needs of the Israeli, Palestinian and Jordanian inhabitants of the former mandatory territory, divided since 1948 into two sovereign States.

The constitutional structure of the area to the east of Israel's secure and recognized boundary is a matter of decision for its Arab citizens. It should be acceptable to Israel if it conforms with the terms of the peace treaty and ensures its undisturbed observance.

MAJOR DIPLOMATIC efforts had been invested since 1947 to initiate a negotiation process. Experienced statesmen and skilled diplomats — among them Sweden's Dr. Gunnar Jarring, appointed under Resolution 242 itself — employed their skills to move the parties from their entrenched positions to the negotiation table. They tried old established procedures and experimented with hitherto untested devices, but to no avail.

One of the devices was the American idea of "proximity talks," where the parties would still remain out of eyesight and earshot, lodged on separate hotel floors, with an American intermediary shuttling between them upstairs-downstairs.

The last discussion about the feasibility of this new and unusual conveyance took place on October 4, 1973 between the United States Secretary of State and his Israeli and Egyptian colleagues respectively. Israel agreed to try the new method. The Egyptian Foreign Minister promised his reply at a later stage.

It came soon, two days later — and from completely unexpected quarters. Egypt and Syria delivered it by gun and missile on the day of Yom Kippur. They preferred to the fortunes of war the battlefield in the vicinity of the negotiation room.

Israel succeeded in defeating the military onslaught as in all previous wars which it had to fight in the defence of its existence. Yet it continued to believe that the conflict would not yield to a military solution. Arab leaders, however, persevered in their view that military action even if falling short of achieving its strategic objective does further their political ends.

In October 1973 it took the Security Council 17 days while fierce fighting escalated from day to day, to call for a cease-fire. The supporters of the Arab attack stalled any action by the Council, as long as they believed that the fortunes of war were favouring their friends. But when it became manifest that the tide had turned, the Soviet Government acted with utmost alacrity. Secretary of State Kissinger was asked to visit instantly the Soviet Union, and within 24 hours a joint Soviet-American draft resolution was agreed upon in Moscow and reached another 24 hours adopted in New York.

Resolution 338 which the Security Council adopted on October 22 did not only order the immediate termination of the fighting, but decided that "negotiations start immediately between the parties concerned aimed at establishing a just and durable peace in accordance with the provisions of Resolution 242."

Thus the great survivor of the war was veteran Resolution 242. It emerged reinforced by Resolution 338. The two formed the twin pillars of the post Yom Kippur War peace efforts.

The Geneva Peace Conference was convened in December 1973 in accordance with Resolution 338. The participants agreed in advance on the composition of the Conference, excluding "non-governmental

organizations. They laid procedures which provide of unanimity of decision. They agreed to meet under the aegis of the U.S. and the Soviet Union. The Plenary of the Conference after two days' statements. It agreed to for the envisioned negotiations. The agenda, representatives were to manifest the institutional maintenance of the Conference in the stillness of cease-fire, disturbed not even by contact nor by a polite handshake.

Over the years, Resoluit served a number of purposes. It provided the Dr. Kissinger's shuttle, which yielded important agreements between Egypt and Syria respectively, predominantly in military dispositive arrangements meant to greater measure of its safety for the parties still state of precariousness. But it still has to prove its effectiveness in regard to a substantive, negotiations, based on 242.

FOR A DECADE now Resoluit has dominated the diplomacy of the Middle East as accepted common denominator.

The fact that it evolved process of unhurriedly conducted in the quiet anterooms and not on the stage of the Security Council, the measure of its firmness, vagueness and which appear to be the durability and longevity shown an unexpected wear and tear in the swift changing world sit continuing regional adversity caused the shock of the Yom Kippur War and a squiggle in Resolution 242's companion piece.

The proof of the worth of these resolutions is willingness of the parties to work. A decade of and the prospect for prolonged period of it should be strong enough a for a supreme effort. Procedures envisaged as they may be internal ference life are, not a substance. Procedure is facilitate the proceedings stall them.

Since Resolution 242 ca ing men have achieved i feats. If men managed to the moon and to render space, is it too much to men's minds to meet on in Geneva, in Cairo or in. It can be done if the contes decide to drop contriti and carry out in comr ability and good faith i aim of the resolution's respect the right of every area to live in peace wi and renounced hostile threats or acts of war."

This article, which is an extended version of an article in the subject, was written President Sadat's visit to.

The superpower backdrop

SHLOMO SLONIM examines the implications of Sadat's trip in the context of Egypt's relations with the U.S. and the Soviet Union

IN ORDER to place Sadat's visit to Israel and his address to the Knesset in proper perspective, it is necessary to examine these events not only in the immediate context of Arab-Israeli and inter-Arab relations but also in the broader context of great-power involvement in the Middle East.

Clearly, the issue of war and peace in the Middle East has been affected in no small measure by the actions of the Soviet Union and the U.S. over the years. Ever since the Soviets penetrated the area in 1955 and endeavoured to mark out a role for themselves in Middle Eastern affairs, the area has remained unsettled and there have been no less than four wars.

Masquerading as the champions of Arab "rights," the Soviets, through a constant and unmatched outpouring of war material, have deliberately kept the area in a state of permanent tension. Behind this convenient smokescreen, the Soviet Union was able to advance its own interests in the area.

As a result of the Cold War that gripped the area from 1955 onwards, the regional dispute between Israel and its neighbours assumed a critical new dimension of global proportions. But this superimposition of the Cold War on the conflict, and the attendant polarization that set in — with the Soviets supporting one side and the Americans, willy-nilly, supporting the other — tended to congeal matters and to eliminate any possible momentum towards adjustment and settlement.

The rigidity that arose out of great-power competition reached its high point, and indeed was reflected by, the confrontation that developed over the Suez Canal in 1970. Some 25,000 Russian troops were then stationed in Egypt, facing the Israeli forces on the other side of the Canal. This high mark of Russian penetration into the area was matched by the immobility that enveloped the Arab-Israeli dispute.

THIS RIGIDITY was dramatically shattered by the twin events of Sadat's expulsion of the Russians from Egypt in July, 1972, and the outbreak of the Yom Kippur war of October, 1973. The grip of the Cold War was broken and a new fluidity was introduced into the situation. In the process, the Russians were effectively removed as active, intimate participants in Middle Eastern affairs, and the region entered a new period of freedom of manoeuvre under the aegis of the U.S.

Remarkably enough, the Yom Kippur war itself, to which the Russians contributed so heavily on the Arab side, seems to have been instrumental in eliminating the Soviet Union as a factor in Middle East diplomacy. Even more remarkably, the shunting aside of the Soviet Union from the process of peacemaking occurred at the very moment that it was being

accorded official status as co-chairman of the Geneva conference. The deterioration in relations between Cairo and Moscow, which set in precisely at that moment, and the concomitant new spirit of rapprochement between Cairo and Washington, offered scope for the Americans to monopolize the role of peacemaker.

Then Secretary of State Kissinger seized the opportunity quickly and skilfully. The Russians participated in the ceremonial opening of the Geneva conference, but had no role in the various disengagement and interim agreements between Israel and her neighbours. Only the Americans were asked — by both parties — to man the Sinai listening posts.

The pattern of Soviet-Egyptian relations over the past four years has been one of progressive deterioration. Egypt denounced the Soviet-Egyptian Treaty of Friendship and Co-operation, which was not due to expire until 1985, and in default to Moscow for some \$5b. of credits. Repeated attempts by Sadat to meet with the Kremlin leaders have been rebuffed.

In contrast, relations between Egypt and Washington have steadily improved and expanded. Following the Nixon visit to Cairo in 1974, Sadat visited Washington several times. Moreover, the U.S. has instituted an extensive programme of grants and support for the Egyptian economy.

The prevailing state of Egyptian relations with the two superpowers provides the essential backdrop for an understanding of Sadat's visit to Israel and his address to the Knesset.

THE FACT THAT Sadat did not mention the PLO in his address to the Knesset has been widely noted. It is also noteworthy that no reference was made to the Soviet Union (although the U.S. was mentioned).

The two omissions are, very likely, connected. If, indeed, Sadat's aim is to attain a genuine peace at Geneva, joint Soviet-PLO actions at the negotiating table would appear to present a formidable obstacle to the attainment of that aim. For the PLO's extremist demands would probably receive the backing of the Kremlin, on the not unreasonable expectation that a Palestinian West Bank "entity" would serve as a major and convenient outpost for Soviet influence in the area.

Furthermore, and irrespective of the Palestinian issue, the Russians could be expected to exploit the negotiating process and any agreement that may be reached as a means of reasserting its role and restoring its stature in Middle Eastern affairs.

Presumably, the Soviet Union would expect to act as co-guarantor of any settlement. For Egypt, which only a short while ago escaped the

Russian bear-hug, the major Russian role in peace is a cause for concern. In conversations with American Congressmen weeks ago, Sadat voiced, in the following manner, Soviet Union will, for sure, facilities for me, and I am my calculations so that it should not create any of Geneva.

Given these apprehensions, the Russian role at G. not surprising to learn was seriously concerned, alarmed by the implicit joint Soviet-U.S. statement Middle East and the G. ference.

That this communiqué very much on Sadat's mind clear from his reply to a the joint new co-chair Prime Minister Begin's joint statement, he relations with the Soviets and it appears that w doesn't go to their liking instance, the visit here their comments, doesn't liking at all. I fear that t titude could be adopted, and they are one of the co-

PERHAPS this is what Sadat's suggestion, of course of his stay in Jeru the groundwork for Gen be thoroughly laid before ference is convened. P Sadat is intent on com real negotiations in ad leaving only the ceremonial up for Geneva. (This preclude a formal peace conference sometime in In fact, this seemed to be Foreign Minister Da asked interview on 1 night.)

No one at this stage how the process of peace be affected by Sadat Jerusalem, or wheth motives may be harmoni type of peace Israel see live with. But if the pat commodation is accelera culminate in peace developments would on the desire of the Egypt's safeguard his coun dependence and to his awareness of the perils of perillism.

If properly hand awareness — which is n by Prime Minister Be serve as a basis for understanding and any action by Egypt. And a secure peace, it noted, depends on genui ty of interest more the else.

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Welcome policy reappraisal

THE HOUR OF DECISION is near, and the Government — as well as all political parties, on both sides of the Knesset — should promptly start a reappraisal of their traditional stands on terms for a peace settlement with our Arab neighbours.

This is the gist of the message delivered by Foreign Minister Dayan in two public appearances on Wednesday, first at a press conference and then on television. As an example of a much needed policy reappraisal Mr. Dayan was willing to cite the case of Sharm e-Sheikh.

He did so for a purpose. For it was none other than Mr. Dayan, as he pointed out himself, who had coined the phrase, after the Six Day War, that Sharm e-Sheikh without peace was preferable to peace without Sharm e-Sheikh. The precedent-breaking visit of President Sadat to Jerusalem, however, has persuaded Mr. Dayan that the old slogan could no longer be upheld.

What an acceptable alternative to permanent Israeli occupation of the southern tip of Sinai might be — as a means of assuring freedom of navigation in the Straits of Tiran — the Foreign Minister declined to suggest. He indicated that he had not made up his mind on the issue; but that his mind was open.

His mind was also open on the crucial problem of the West Bank; even though only five months ago, on assuming office, he told his staff that his principal mission would be to prevent the partition of the area. The time had come, he now told a nationwide audience, for a clear definition of the country's irreducible demands.

The imperative of diplomatic continuity surely dictate nothing less. This has just been underlined by two further Egyptian gestures: the effusive letter of thanks from President Sadat to President Katsir for the reception accorded him in Israel, and the ecstatic account of that reception in "Al Akhbar" by its editor Moussa Sahri.

These were not "mere" gestures, for their intent clearly went beyond the dutiful and the ceremonial. They offered fresh evidence of readiness in Egypt to discard old formulas and beliefs, and of the need for reciprocity in Israel. Which is essentially what Mr. Dayan was talking about.

Mr. Dayan made a valiant effort, in his public appearances, to deny any policy rift between him and Prime Minister Begin. But the seams were inevitably showing.

It was not merely that, while Mr. Begin had presented Mr. Sadat's pledge of "no more wars" as a momentous agreement, Mr. Dayan warned that it had no operational meaning outside the diplomatic process; or that, while Mr. Begin had publicly anticipated a resumed Geneva conference any time now, Mr. Dayan stressed Egypt's desire to have due preparations on matters of substance before the talks got underway.

More importantly, the Foreign Minister supplied the very element that had been so noticeably missing from the Premier's Knesset speech: an unambiguous statement of Israel's purpose to match Egypt's revolutionary turn towards direct discussions with Israel.

If this is Mr. Begin's own purpose, as some people believe, he has managed to keep it a close secret. The policy of his administration was founded on the rock of Arab intransigence, and he appears to be in no haste to let it crumble under the impact of Egyptian moderation.

But the hallmark of this government's operating procedure, at least in the area of economics, has been surprise. Perhaps that is what Mr. Begin is preparing for us in foreign policy as well — after having heard from his Foreign Minister, and after surveying the sentiment for a re-examination of ancient dogmas among his own DMG and even Liberal allies.

We would certainly welcome such a surprise.

Doing away with distortions

THE ANNOUNCED purpose of the new economic policy is to let the forces of supply and demand operate in the Israeli market without let or hindrance.

There is now only one price system and only one exchange rate; which means that the complicated method of aids and subsidies, that made it impossible to determine which enterprise is profitable to the economy and which is not, has been cast aside.

The above grandiose generalisation cannot of course be altogether true in practice. The closure of a plant that is unable to make out under the new competitive conditions creates a host of human problems. It is important that the Government decide right now how it will address itself to these problems.

Two rules would seem to recommend themselves. The first is that aid should be given for a specified and acceptable purpose. The economic principle that Finance Minister Ehrlich's party proclaims is the principle of unimpeded competition. That would mean that if a factory, or even an entire branch of production cannot make both ends meet without assistance from the taxpayer, it should be allowed to wither away.

But it may be necessary, for example, to rescue undertakings which give employment in the development areas, in order to prevent a drain of population away from those areas to the coastal belt. The second rule follows from the first. All economic aid should be visible, should be above the table, and should figure in the State budget. To cite an example of the opposite situation: the new, higher electricity rates announced this week perpetuate a differential tariff, with a lower charge for industrial companies that are large users of electricity.

This gives concealed assistance to, let us say, a firm in Haifa which consumes a great deal of fuel, in preference to a company in Kiryat Shmona or Dimona that provides a lot of employment, but is a modest customer for electric current.

All differentials in the field of prices, tariffs and taxation are a distortion. Some may turn out to be beneficial distortions; but it is only possible to ascertain what benefit is needed and how much should be doled out if the power to subsidize is centralized, and channelled directly through the budget.

It must not be supplied indirectly at the uncoordinated initiative of State-owned companies or Government committees. Whether this country's still-new administration can abide by these demanding requirements has yet to be determined.

THE MAN who might have been Sadat's host, had he not been defeated on May 17 by a reversal at the polls that itself was largely part of the aftermath of the Yom Kippur War, was in a sober and reflective mood the morning after President Sadat's return to Cairo. He displayed little elation at the great event of the preceding two days, and much concern for what the future may bring.

I had gone to get from Shimon Peres, leader of the Opposition, a first evaluation of the visit and some predictions of what may happen next. Throughout the interview, and afterwards, the feeling was inescapable that Peres is still unable, or unwilling, to grasp at the freedom to criticize "irresponsibly" as a leader of the Opposition has the right to do.

But beyond that, as a result of the course of events, the differences in foreign affairs between the Likud and the Alignment are in abeyance. Until now, the political manoeuvres of all the parties concerned have been about procedure, not substance. And until the latter comes to the fore, it seems that the Opposition will remain largely stymied — not only subjectively, because it cannot yet conceive of itself as non-responsible, let alone irresponsible, but also objectively, because so far there is no point of substance at issue on which it can effectively attack the Government.

Yet this is already not quite so. Events are moving quickly, and Sadat has almost completely cut through the Gordian knot of procedure, until it now hangs by its last thread. This substance of war or peace between us and the Arabs will very soon be presented starkly for the decisive answers. And that will be the time when the Opposition, which so far has mainly echoed the Government in the ways common to most Israeli, will have to sound its alternative eyes.

MY FIRST request to Shimon Peres was for an assessment of the Prime Minister's public utterances during Sadat's visit, bearing in mind that many commentators had said that Begin had not been responsive enough to Sadat's overture. "I have not participated in any private meetings with Sadat," said Peres, "and do not pretend to know what they contained — but judging by what I heard in public, Mr. Begin has not deviated from the well-known platform of the Likud." The statement, bland and non-committal

A critical issue

The Likud Government could be prepared to grant some sort of local autonomy on the West Bank, says Yigal Hurwitz. But it will not countenance foreign rule there, and the Egyptians understand this. DAVID KRIVINE reports.

YIGAL HURWITZ, Minister of Industry, Commerce and Tourism, and head of the strongly nationalist Le'Am faction in the Likud, denies vigorously that Begin's Knesset speech in response to Sadat's address was disappointing.

"I say the opposite," he told *The Jerusalem Post*. "I say the obstinate one was Sadat. He listed the subjects that he would not speak about, the subjects that he would not negotiate about. It is he who will not yield an inch of territory."

"Begin is ready to speak about everything. He made that quite clear."

Still, Hurwitz is hopeful. "It is hard to believe that Sadat sees this as his final position. If he really wants peace, he cannot make unilateral decisions. He cannot foreclose discussion on particular issues."

"And I am sure that discussion on these issues will take place. One hopes there will be talks with Jordan too, and with the Arabs of Judea, Samaria and Gaza."

But what about our side, the Israeli side — what are we prepared to offer?

"We are ready for concessions in many fields."

Including territories? "You mean Judea and Samaria? On that subject our position is known," he stated brusquely.

Is he dismissing a critical issue on which everything depends?

"Not so. Peace does not depend on dunams of land. We are ready for a serious accommodation. It could include some sort of local autonomy on the West Bank. It could include Jordanian participation at this functional level."

President Sadat during his visit here. Had it been wet and rainy in Jerusalem at the time, there would not have been so many people on the streets to welcome him. Citizens trying to get to work might have been less patient at finding their usual routes barricaded off at various points. Even our euphoric mood might have been a little dampened.

Call it Providence, if you like. But now that we are settling back to normal life and leaving the real gritty of the problems to the professionals, we begin to notice that this Indian summer of ours has been going on a little too long.

When can we expect the rain in its due season? F.D.

IF THE STARS in their courses were on the side of Siera in the days of the Judges, the forces that control the weather were certainly on the side of

MEIR MERHAV talks with Shimon Peres.

STYMIED OPPOSITION



(Rubinger)

PERSONALLY, said Peres, he does not today know of any partition map that would be acceptable to both sides. The Arabs insist on complete withdrawal from Judea and Samaria, while Israel insists on not returning to the pre-1967 lines. A proposal for partition can only come from Israel — and what we propose, they will not accept.

Therefore, he believes, the solution should be sought along the lines of a functional partition, within the framework of a federal system that would include Israel, Jordan and the West Bank. It would be a federation or confederation, in which each canton or area would be completely autonomous, each having its own parliament, its own administration — with the sole exception of military forces. There would be only two armies, a joint military force, possibly under a unified command, to patrol the Jordan Rift, the Gaza Strip and wherever else was agreed.

This goes further, he said, than the Dayan concept of functional partition, because it spells out the full legal and constitutional implications, and provides a far-reaching solution to the national aspirations of the Palestinian Arabs.

He has discussed it, ever since 1967, with Arabs, and while no one has yet explicitly accepted it, it has been "the least rejected" of all solutions.

I asked Peres whether Sadat's praise of his speech in the Knesset as constructive might not imply that the Egyptian President, his public "not an inch" position notwithstanding, has accepted the Alignment formula of territorial compromise as a starting point for negotiation. Peres agreed with this interpretation, and revealed that two weeks ago, Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky told him of a long talk he had had several months ago with President Sadat, in which the latter had said that if the Alignment were to win the elections, he would fly straight to Jerusalem.

NEVERTHELESS, Peres sees tremendous difficulties in any repartition of Judea and Samaria. I reminded him of Sadat's remark that "a few kilometres here or there will make no difference to Israel's security." This, I pointed out, could be interpreted to mean that if territorial compromise really had the importance that Israel attaches to it in terms of security, Sadat might have been flexible in the matter. But since he recognizes Israel's demand for security but denies that territory will provide it, is that not the reason for his insistence on the 1967 lines?

In reply, Peres reiterated the well-known arguments: since 1948 there have been changes that make it impossible to return to the pre-1967 boundaries. We have been attacked; there have been population movements, including those of Arabs, in the area; and there have been vast changes in military technology which make the former lines untenable.

"We must have a minimum of airspace," he said. "For today you cannot, at the Netanyahu waist, even safely send up a prayer to God, because it might be shot down by hand-held missiles."

This need, as he sees it, for territorially-determined defence capability, together with its non-acceptability to the Arabs, leads him back to the federal solution.

READERS' LETTERS

SETTLERS AT SDE NITZAN

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — With reference to your article of November 6, "Sharon: No Beduin to be dispossessed," I would like to point out several inaccuracies, particularly with regard to Moshav Sde Nitzan.

While it is true that we complained to Arzi Sharon that our units do not produce enough income to support a family, it is certainly not true to suggest that each of our units consists of two dunams of glasshouses, a one-dunam nursery and six dunams of fruit trees.

The fact is that each unit has two dunams of glasshouses only. The six dunams of fruit trees only exist on paper (the ground is just now being levelled) and in fact there are difficulties in obtaining plants for these orchards, so that they will certainly not produce any income for the average grower for another six to eight years.

In addition to their glasshouses, there are eight growers in Sde Nitzan who have this year bulk plastic hot-houses, which may or may not produce some income this year due to lateness of delivery. Of the rest of the families here, less than half have any income-producing crops this year apart from those of the glasshouses. There are two nurseries at Sde Nitzan — both only a quarter of a dunam.

The impression that Sde Nitzan is a moshav of millionaires who receive hand-outs from the government and the Jewish Agency is quite erroneous; in fact, the freedom of choice of crops that other farmers enjoy does not exist here.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, Moshav Sde Nitzan

GUR'S WARNING

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — I wish to express my full support for Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur who had the courage and good sense to disclose publicly the potential danger of an Arab military offensive, especially now, in view of recent intelligence reports of intense activity of the Egyptian armed forces near the Canal Zone which may be masked by the Sadat visit and all the excitement it generates.

Need our leaders be reminded that not so long ago, while Japanese diplomats were expressing feelings of friendship to the American people and preparing to sign a treaty of non-belligerence with the U.S., Japanese aircraft bombed and strafed Pearl Harbour, reducing it to burning rubble.

ZVI H. HOROVITZ
Kibbutz Ma'ayan Zvi

POLITICAL PARTIES IN DIASPORA ARE WRONG

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — As a life-long advocate of general (small "g") Zionism in the Diaspora, I feel compelled to take issue with Yehuda Githel's support of political party-ism abroad (October 21). What gives a person who is either unable or unwilling to make aliyah the right to decide who should govern in Israel?

The political party system in the Diaspora is wasteful of both human and financial resources. A large percentage of Zionist funds is spent maintaining a vast network of administrative committees, with networks of offices, personnel and campaigns. When there was youth to work with, it was not unusual to see several emissaries from different parties vying for the souls of a few young people in some small community. As if the competition of Diaspora-oriented clubs, such as Bnei Bish and YMHA, was not enough!

Recent socio-economic developments in Israel amply demonstrate the futility of these divisions in the Diaspora. The Hlistadrut, which is little more than a Labour Zionist club, has become a Likud dominion. The recent elections: K. will probably become Prime Minister, and the Likud will probably be in power. The Hlistadrut (Labour) may common ground with it in part in Sadat (Bnei Akiva), a member of his own party, a suburban life-style, Hasharon. Should this halted in order to accommodate splinter groups in the Diaspora?

There is plenty of room for interest groups within Zionist organization support positive aspects of Israel (fund-raisers, religious Jew culturalists, or socialists, professional administrators serve all. Those who can influence the political Israel through aliyah. In they will also further the Zionist ideal, for without it can be no secure Jewish S-

SHLOMO Ramat Hasharon.

SHIRLEY FAKTOR

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — I had the good fortune to see Shirley Faktor's recent exhibition of drawings at the Debel Gallery and to take exception to the review by Gil Goldfine (November 4).

Mr. Goldfine is of course free to relate only to the formal characteristics of an artist's work, but his inability to go beyond those formal characteristics should not be at the expense of the artist. I'm glad he appreciates Faktor's virtuosity, but he does her a serious injustice by dismissing as irrelevant what she herself describes, in the interview from which Mr. Goldfine quoted, as the impetus behind her work. Faktor speaks of "search for womanly identity," and of her expression of "joy of life and fear of death of a woman: her activity and passivity, her vulnerability and strength."

Goldfine reduces this to a "feminist manifesto."

It doesn't sound like a manifesto to me. It sounds like courageous articulation of crucial regions of being, womanly because Faktor is a woman in touch with her womanhood. For this viewer, her drawings explore the inherent forms and feelings of female sexuality, unrecognizable, unfortunately, to Mr. Goldfine's failures of perception and empathy, or his reductive foolishness of the writer who mis-

leadingly headlined the "Drawing Women's Lib."

DE MYRA GLAZER Beersheva.

Gil Goldfine comments: I think Dr. Schatz has the same trap as Shirley Faktor's drawings explore drawings really do its feminine fear, love, vulnerability and courage, the subject is clear enough for my senses. Or it might just be perception and empathy merely foolish but, more uni-sexual.

STAR-GAZIN

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*: Sir, — I'd like to thank Pulver for his wonderful a native articles on "Star-They are always a pleasure and I usually buy several The Post when this column so as to share my joy with abroad."

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